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General MacArthur's public health

and welfare section based its new

toll of 681 dead and 266 missing

on reports of military government teams in 15 of the 24 damaged prefectures. It said 575 were in-

The death toll coincided closely with that of the home ministry,

which earlier reported 680 killed.

The ministry listed only 101 missing,

The new Army report did not in-

The home ministry's new casualty

It listed 6894 homes destroyed

and 11,023 damaged. Earlier re-

ports showed 24,000 homes had

been temporarily inundated,

while hundreds of thousands of

inhabitants of s'outh-central

Japan had huddled unsheltered

in from the sub-sea center of the

The six powerful waves rolling

however, instead of 266.

in Winter's chill.

2080 vessels.

Shikoku island.

only water.

and 60 houses damaged

injured and 72 missing.

coastline still isolated. "Serious

be counted here, the ministry said.

on two U. S. Army expeditions

proceeding by land and sea to

assist the less than 100 Ameri-

can soldiers stranded at three

points of this isolated sector.

They had signaled their safety,

and radioed that they needed

Kochi, a city on southern Shikoku,

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dre, August Krause, Albert Seeders

and Willis Thollan.

to the hospital.

**Empires' Home Group** 

To Elect Officers Today

Four nad six-story buildings in

No new reports were available

ministry said six had died.

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MORNING, DECEMBER 23, 1946

THREE CENTS A COPY FIFTEEN CENTS A WEEK

# 947 Reported Dead In Jap Catastrophe; U. S. Soldiers Safe

TOKYO, Monday, Dec. 23 (AP)—Allied headquarters today reported 947 Japanese dead or missing after Saturday's disastrous earthquake and tidal wave - with additional losses still to be tallied.

# Veteran's Wife Delivers Quads, 3 Boys, 1 Girl

· BALTIMORE, Dec. 22 (A)-Quadruplets, three boys and a girl, were born in St. Agnes hospital here tonight to a wide-eyed, slender British war bride, Mrs. Charles Henn clude figures for Kyushu, southern-Jr., who has been in the United most island, on which the home States less than a year.

The babies, still unweighed two report—680 dead, 101 missing and hours after their births, were born 824 injured-included only 16 of the in the delivery room of the hospital, 24 prefectures in which damage was and Dr. Thomas Bowyer, the at- reported. tending physician, said all four "are in good shape."

The first child was born to the five-foot, eleven inches tall brunette at 6:45 p. m., the second at 7:05 p. m., the third at 7:34 p. m., and the last at 7:40

Mrs. Henn was reported "in good condition." Her husband, a 28-year-old quake beached or swept out to sea

bookbinder, was at the hospital when the babies were born but he made no immediate statement. With him (Continued on Page Ten)

# **RUSSIAN PEACE**

Bevin Says Soviet Part In U. N. Meeting Shows She Aims at Co-operation

Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin to- known dead in areas of wave-lashed night expressed the belief that Rus- Wakayama peninsula of southern sia has shown herself ready to co- Honshu, with part of the hard-hit complete peace is within grasp of damage and casualties" remain to the world.

The foreign secretary, who returned last week from United Nations and Big Four foreign ministers meetings in New York, said in a speech broadcast by the BBC that Russia realized there was "a desire for complete understanding."

"There is throughout the world a readiness to co-operate with her and see her developher system in her own way, with the recognition that others equally have the right to their own way of life," he declared.

Defining the new role of Great Britain, Bevin said "the war has left two great powers predominant the United States and Soviet Russia. Great Britain lies midway in geography and way of life." On the hotly contested matter of the veto in the United Nations, Bevin predicted that a new "code of conduct will be adopted in prac-

"We are not abolishing the veto," he added, "but we are trying to modify its use—to let it serve the (Continued on Page Ten)

# Release of 'Conchies' Planned by U. S.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 (AP) -Pre-Christmas actions are planned Moser is now president while Anby President Truman and the Jus- dre is vice president. tice department for the release of about one-third of the conscien- McADOO'S DAUGHTER DIES tious objectors still in prison. This was learned officially today

ranged today in eight other cities. Two official steps are contem-

Creation by Mr. Truman of a mend action to the President, who

will decide who is to be released. ment expected before Christmas opening jail doors to 150 members of group, who are serving terms for similar offenses.

or one third of their terms-and - shuffled for five hours today past Georgia's state capitol. will be released on parole for good the open casket of the man they behavior. About 300, however, will elected four times as governor.

THE WEATHER For Eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland:

38 Mercury 30 Antics Low TEMPERATURE EXTREMES

Local temperatures yesterday and early this morning were:

Buck & Rice. Ph. 747-R or 919-J-5. Ducks, Turkeys, Chickens. We Deliver. Phone 529-W Radio and Appliance Repairs. Call C. J. Keiser Co. Ph. 1775-M or 111 Closed All Day Christmas The Pines-Route 100

> 34 Locks. Phone 427-J. Ripe Golden Bananas. S & R Food Store, 624 Walnut St. Phone 46. Willauer, Jeweler, 217 High St. Cocker pup, cute blonde female, S&R Food Store, 624 Walnut St. AKC. reg. Reas. Ph. 2908-R-1. Open until 9 p.m. Monday evening.



Workers Find Boss Ideal Santa

to be the ideal Santa Claus when he distributed some \$705,000 in cash to his employes as Christmas presents. Walter Hiller is shown receiving the first check, as his wife waits her turn. Employes working ten years for the company received \$3500 each. An added surprise was the announcement of a 20 percent increase in wages.

# 50 FRENCH DIE

Indochina Insurgents Stretch Attack Area; Blum Speech Slated

The new report included for the PARIS, Dec. 22 (AP)—The French first time official—but incomplete news agency said today that at least - figures on hard-hit Shikoku 50 French soldiers had been killed island, southwest of Honshu, where it said 474 died, 327 were seriously and 150 wounded during recent injured, 252 slightly hurt, and 29 fighting in Hanoi and that Viet- Congress, despite a near-balance for still missing. Some 9000 homes were Namese attacks had extended to the the first six months. "wholly or partially destroyed, and whole of northern Indochina. 600 others washed away." Figures

Premier Leon Blum was expected still were unavailable for a part of to make a statement before the On Kyushu, southernmost main French National Assembly tomorrow island, it listed six dead, 11 injured about disorders in the rich French possession of southeast Asia. Some European civilians and For Honshu, the major island of

with 207 seriously injured, 27 slightly missing in Hanoi, capital of the Viet-Nam republic. The ministry toll included 66 The agency said Hue, capital of Annam and 300 airline miles

south of Hanoi, was attacked on the same day by Viet-Namese using mortars and automatic weapons against fixed French positions. Civilian houses also were attacked and there were casualties among French civil-

spreading in Indochina. Most of situation for this fiscal year. the French civilians were said to have escaped, but some French deficit of \$1,900,000,000 or more for of the Viet-Namese.

collapsed and wreckage blocked French sources in Indochina said streets tightly, the ministry reported. preparing an attack against Hongay, coal center 80 miles east of Hanoi. The attacking Viet-Namese were reported to have isolated the French in the towns of Namdinh 300 Flagg Workers and Hajduong

Home association will be held to- ter in Hanoi had been cleared exday at the firehouse, Chestnut and cept for snipers. Fighting contin-Franklin streets, from 2 to 8 p.m. | ued in the Annamite section of the Candidates are: William Lessig, city with the Viet-Namese holding unopposed for president; Joseph control of the university and post-Keough and George Roshon, for vice office, where regular Viet-Namese all for more than 300 employes of father and bishop. president; Albert Kerr, incumbent, troops and civil guards were on the the Stanley G. Flagg company. corresponding secretary, unopposed; firing lines.

Francis Ott, incumbent, unopposed, treasurer; Paul Russell, incumbent, occupied the government palace, to their jobs today. unopposed, financial secretary; which had been occupied by the Ho trustees, five to be elected, Grant Chi Minh government, which fled Fizz, Richard Moser, Raymond An- Thursday

French warships were anchored at Tourane, 375 miles south of Hanoi. Tourane was reported still free of fighting, although its communications with the airdrome were cut.

SANTA MONICA, Calif., Dec. 20 (P)-Mrs. Ellen McAdoo Hinshaw, commander in Hanoi, gave orders to work, last night said "We are man from the Eighth ward, was as demonstrators in convict stripes, 32, daughter of the late U.S. Sen- to the French garrison at Vinh to ready to roll. some with imitation balls and ator William Gibbs McAdoo, died lay down its arms after an ultichains, paraded before the White today in Santa Monica hospital. matum had been sent to the com-House with placards demanding a Police reported Mrs. Hinshaw was manding officer by the Viet-Namese, "We merely have some coke; not opposition in a referendum vote ers estimated might total between Christmas amnesty for the object found unconscious in her room at who surrounded the area. The much, just 'some'. But we are ready held last Nov. 4. tors. Similar marches were ar- a local hotel and died after removal French news agency said Morliere to attempt full production one more. acted to prevent a massacre.

mingled with city folk in sorrowful

A handful of Negroes were in

the slow moving crowd - ex-

pressing on equal terms their

respect for a man who thundered

## three-member board to consider each case on its merits and recom-An order by the Justice department, expected before Christmas To Eugene Talmadge in Atlanta ATLANTA, Dec. 22 (A) - More | Plain, dirt farmers and rural Blind GI to Spend

Jehovah's Witnesses, a religious than 10,000 Georgians - men and businessmen - the "wool hat boys" women whom Eugene Talmadge ad- who made Talmadge's triumphs -The latter have served one year dressed as "my tellow countrymen silence beneath the dome of

> and four abreast, braving a biting made political history. wind in a queue stretching around three sides of the capitol building: Many wept unashamed as they took leave of the man they followed almost fanatically for 20 years. A few saluted their dead leader as they turned away.

Special Dec. prices on Pea, Stove,

(Continued on Page Fourteen) Run out of Fuel Oil?

"white supremacy."

Christmas Trees, 26 South Hanover Next to Goodwill Fire House 190-200 Moser road. Ph. 2387. hours until Thursday, Jan. 2. Young Turkeys ready now. Laurel Dr. John B. Peterman, Veterinarian

Call Schwab. Phone 2584

A huge floral wreath stood near

Fisher Bros. Coal, Tires. Now at Dr. Markowitz Dentist. No office Ph. 3302-J. If no answer, 953-R-4. Parker "51"s in Stock, A. E.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 (AP) -Prospects of a substantial year-end deficit confronted President Truman today in drafting state of the union and budget messages for the new

Spending Exceeds Budget

Messages to New Congress

As President Prepares

And Senator Taylor (D.-Idaho) reported "an enormous amount of pressure is being exerted upon the President to persuade him to em- ple, was nearly full. body "the Republican point of view" in the state of the Union message. as a tiny figure clad in white, spoke Taylor urged Mr. Truman to resist from the loggia, or gallery, high it and "support and preserve the above the piazza. He talked in a firm tically the entire nation over the three Roosevelt administrations" re- loud speakers.

His statement followed word at the thousands of clergy, nuns and a few days ,at least. the White House, as the Chief Ex- Roman citizens were knots of Italand less specific than the 21-point attacks against the Pontiff in sev-The budget message, to follow!

that on the state of the Union early ers and banners. Some read: "Holy next month, is expected to outline Father, we are with you unto death. A midnight Associated Press dis- a \$37,000,000,000 spending program patch from Saigon reported violent for the fiscal year starting July 1 fighting at Hue with the conflict and to take another look at the Government analysts figure on a a match.

towns still were reported uncleared this fiscal year, in which spending he was interrupted time after time is budgeted at \$41,500,000,000. They explained that veterans ex- Il Papa.' the Viet-Namese appeared to be penditures are running far above

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# An election of officers of the Empire Hook and Ladder company Saigon asserted the European quar-

What looked like a mighty dark Italian citizens came to seek safety holiday season will be bright after and comfort in the words of their After approximately three weeks burst of cheers, to June 6, 1944, French troops were said to have of idleness, the employes will return when Allied forces surged past Rome,

> The Flagg plant had been forced to a near-complete shutdown during the recent coal strike, when its coke bins were drained dry, Since laying off the more than 300 workers, only maintenance help has been on hand at the molding works.

Isaac Strickland, plant man- day that Charles W. Moyer of 752 premises. Gen. Louis Morliere, French ager, in commenting on the return Spruce street, a borough council-

Denying that the coke bins are Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers Infilled once more, Strickland said, ternational Union (CIO), without portal pay, which industry lead- are retroactive six years. We have quite a bit of coke or- Ill., issued the statement on Moydered but you have to wait for such er's election. things. You can't get coke in a Moyer an employe of the Doehlerhurry these days.'

The workers will be off again one been president of Local 703 for the day this week, but it'll be a happy past five years. He assumes his layoff, since it'll be on Christmas new duties at Chicago on Jan. 1.

# Yule With Parents

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 22 (AP) -Corp. Chester R. Perkins, who ap-The body lay in flower-banked pealed to Santa Claus for "two state, a scant 20 yards from the bright, shiny blue eyes," to replace At times, the crowd stood three executive office where Talmadge the ones he lost when a land mine exploded in Germany, came home today to spend Christmas with his wife and parents. The blind GI, who is a patient in

Valley Forge General hospital at Phoenixville, Pa., made the trip alone by train, bearing gifts for his The gifts are not to be family. opened until Christmas and Corporal Perkins is the only one who Ralph L. Goettman ...... \$ 10.00 knows what they are.

Assorted colors Rytex Printed Stationery, Mercury Office. Christmas dinner at Lakeside inn Ph. Lineld 2933 or 3795. Sanitary Disposal Service will

collect Wednesday route on Tuesday. Trees - Gerald Yerger 467 Farmington Avenue Diamond and Wedding Rings Charles Longacre, Bahr Arcade Closed all day Christmas,

Binder's Drug Store

# Police Get Clean Slate IN ACCIDENTS IN Green Murder Probe OVER WEEKEND

Winter Breezes In,

day, and prospects are good for a

The proverbial white Christ-

mas has been all but ruled out

by weather forecasters through-

out the country. No low pres-

sure areas are in sight and

these areas are forerunners of

The snow that blanketed prac-

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Expressing amazement at the

results of his ruling, Federal

Judge Frank A. Picard declared

in an interview that the ini-

tial suit was over a question of

overtime required but not paid

favoring the CIO United Pottery

Workers union in its claim that

company had required employes to

be on the job before time for

His decision was reversed by the

Circuit Court of Appeals, then up-

held by the Supreme court, which

ruled that the pottery workers were

entitled to pay for "all time dur-

ing which an employe is necessarily

AFL union for retroactive portal-to-

The Mt. Clemens case now has

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five and six billion dollars.

which they were paid.

He gave his decision in 1942.

Clemens, Mich., Pottery

the common sonwstorm.

little heavy baggage.

Saturday afternoon, and to "the satisfaction of everyone." found that the investigation into the Miriam Green murder case was proceeding normally.

A half hour's airing of Civil Service Commission Chairman Herbert S. Myers' demand that "a com-plete public report" of the murder probe be made brought out that: 1. No persons were being shielded by police

because of "their position in town or because of their lodge affiliations," as he charged. 2. Police have made public all pertinent facts in the case. (Myers said he heard rumors "that police were withholding evidence.")

Chief of Police James A. Laughead reiterated that progress in the case was being slowed by failure of Federal Bureau of Investigation reports to arrive

Police, he said, were interested in fingerprint reports, analysis of blood stains and probes into the

to overcome "hostility" in the world.

The huge gathering, summoned

by the church as a show of devo-

tion to the Pontiff in answer to a

new wave of Italian anti-clerical-

ism, cheered the Pope's appearance

for ten minutes in a series of thund-

ering "Vivas" which echoed through

the Bernini colonnade of Christen-rom's largest church.

The Pope urged Catholics

everywhere to fight for and de-

fend the faith. The fight today,

he said, "Is for Christ or against

Another great roar responded:

size of the throng, summoned to

Mass by the deep-throated bells of

St. Peter's. But the 1,000-foot piazza,

which can accommodate 200,000 peo-

The Pope, visible to the faithful

no anti-Catholic incidents.

Many of the devout carried post-

A group of more zealous youths

climbed a lamp-post in the piazza,

affixed copies of the anti-clerical

When the Pope started to speak,

with roars of "Vive Il Papa; Vive

voice of the Pontiff:

Above the shouts came the

"Truly," he said, "the Catholic

other great gatherings in St. Peter's pay

soul of the eternal city is here."

piazza during the war and at its

He referred to March 12, 1944,

when he appealed to both the Axis

and the Allies to spare Rome, as a

day when "so many refugees and

He referred, amidst another out-

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elected secretary-treasurer of the

Union headquarters in Chicago,

Jarvis corporation plant here, has

As a borough councilman, he is

chairman of the police committee.

committee and the special housing

He is married and the father of

Brooke. He is a member of Trin-

family will continue to reside in

Moyer recently would make no

statement regarding a report that

he plans to retire from Borough

committee of council.

ity Reformed church.

Pottstown.

Moyer Is Elected

Pope Pius Calls on Catholics

To Fight in Defense of Faith

No estimate was available on the fairly mild Christmas week.

VATICAN CITY, Dec. 22 (AP)-Pope Pius XII, ad-

dressing tens of thousands of devout Catholics in historic St.

Peter's Square, called today for a "holy union" of all Christians

FBI. Written reports are to go to District Attorney Frederick B. Smillie in Norristown,

The police meeting brought out no new facts in the case which have stymied authorities since the finding of Mrs. Green's body in her apartment at 358 Chestnut street. The woman, a 27-year-old pretty, brunet divorcee of one week, had been strangled with

But Chief Laughead did disclose that more than struck and injured a man, fea-20 persons had been questioned-most of them only remotely connected with incidents leading to the crime. A majority, he said, had been asked to place the dead woman's whereabouts before the murder.

Laughead corrected reports that Montgomery County District Attorney Frederick B. Smillie was in charge of the case. He said he was in complete charge of the investigation, that he merely had accepted Smillie's aid. This previously had been (Continued on Page Fourteen)

Beech Street Residence Was Fire Resistant,

The home at 728 Beech street, now a charred ruins after windafternoon, was "in fairly good shape structure, Fire Chief Richard E. 5:45 a. m., but was carrying very

metal fire escapes in front and road while heading toward Boyer-The temperature remained above rear and had no outstanding fea- town. He ran into a wire fence, normal winter level throughout the tures that would make it a fire coiling more than 20 yards of the

> fire, which indirectly caused the death by heart failure of one fireman and rendered four families homeless, was reported to have been caused by two children who were playing with matches in a garage at the rear of the home. Lindauer said no action would be taken with the pair

The four families who suffered

Chief Lindauer Declares

swept flames gutted it last Friday Pottstown, RD 4, was coming east. insofar as it was a fire-resistant on opposite sides of the road, Wei-Lindauer said last night.

the empire, the death toll was 200, Eurasians were reported killed or gains made for the people under voice, magnified by a battery of 20 weekend was being quickly absorbed the eviction into the wintery street to stop and failing to render asby sun rays, and little reminder of were taken care of by the Salvation sistance. He was arraigned before Incongruously scattered through Friday's storm is expected for quite Army and neighbors who offered Justice of the Peace Arthur Sageshelter for them in their homes. beer of Royersford RD 1, and was In Pottstown yesterday the frigid Mrs. Meral Cox, of the Salvation released under \$500 bond pending ecutive started the work yesterday, ian soldiers equipped with machine season was ushered in with tem- Army, disclosed last night that further hearing by ustice Sagebeer that the message would be shorter guns. Despite recent inflammatory perautres at, or above freezing. This clothing was the main item destroy- tonight abnormal weather was made un-led and the program presented to the old Con- eral Roman newspapers, there were desirable only by a swift gale which bought by the Salvation Army with (Continued on Page Fourteen)

### ture of the right arm, abrasions of the face and bruises on his Portal Pay Claims Filed Here;

tions when a milk truck in which he was riding figured in a crash with a motor bus containing 25 children from the Bethany Orphans nome, Womelsdorf, yesterday mornng at 9:30 o'clock.

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### publication Don Basilio, and applied a match. Judge Calls It Overtime Case DETROIT, Dec. 22 (P)-The Participation by approximately Tederal judge whose original decis- 2000 former and present employed ion has led to current union claims of the Pottstown plant of the Bethle-

The Pope then recalled briefly volved overtime rather than portal Pottstown Local 2177, United Steel Sacks of candy, juicy oranges and gifts galore made yesterday a day of The meeting, which was well at- real holiday treats for children of ended, was held at the headquar- Doehler Die Casters' club members, ters in the Singer building with The club held its annual Christ-President J. Alfred Marquet pre- mas party yesterday with more than 950 children and parents piercing the Pottstown steel worker claims may | walls of the Senior High school audi-

> Nick, also, as he and his helpers heaped pounds upon pounds of candy into the willing arms of the children, and made certain that each child received a gift, careful, of and Secretary Benjamin Wade of course, not to give Jane a baseball Local 2177, must be forwarded to bat or Jimmy a doll.

dividual suits may be filed against It is estimated that 70,000 emrequired to be on the employer's ployes of the company may institute The high court ruling has re- acting under a decision of the U.S. stage, which kept the audience in

from several CIO and at least one company case. The court had ruled its findings In Parked Automobile

Marquet said many registrations

of claimants were received on Sat-

urday. Today, the office at the

Singer building will be open for

registrations. These names, together

with those of President Marquet

New York city tomorrow so the in-

There are now about 1500 employees on the pay rolls of the company here and there may (Continued on Page Fourteen)

### Eviction Orders for Two Families Delayed Until After Christmas He also heads the special water

across the nation for more than hem Steel company in portal-to-

Workers of America.

total \$1,500,000.

the corporation.

The two families scheduled to be | neys who are handling the evicted from their homes on Dec. 20, the Paul Feights and the Melvin Newmans, of 412 and 410 Lincoln families were continuing their failed to elaborate on his story. His three sons, Clarence, Richard and avenue, respectively, have been search for homes they can occupy wallet, containing \$19, was found granted a period of grace long when forced to vacate. Mrs. Hen- intact. enough to enjoy Christmas in their rietta Endy, sister of Mrs. Feight, Mrs. Moyer stated last night the homes, This was disclosed last night by

Justice of the Peace Richard H. Cadmus who said that the two families would be allowed to keep the present roofs over their heads until 'some time after Christmas." The exact date on which the

notice will be served remained up to the bankers and attor-

Quick Radio Repairs. Call 3830. Long needle pine Christmas trees Emery's, 30 East Third St. J. Fegely & Son Co., 38 High St. Quality Seafood. Home opened Oysters at Unruhs. Phone 1934.

Levin's, High and Hanover streets. Eye Examination -- No Drops Dr. Phillips, Optometrist, 340 High Last Minute Gift-Eversharp "CA" Go to Reidenouer's.- They Have It" A. E. Willauer, Jeweler, 217 High St. Arrow Camera Shop, 80 N. Charlotte Just Rec'd-Shipment Watches Reductions on all Dresser Sets, A.

All sizes. A. B. Siesholtz.

Meanwhile, the two distraught said that every suggestion which might lead to a residence has been scrupulously followed, but as yet neither family has found new

property, Cadmus explained.

shelter Mrs. Endy revealed that new sorrow had increased the burden of the Feights. Another child came down with the mumps and doctors

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Run out of Fuel Oil? Call Schwab. Phone 2584 Home Raised Turkeys. Phone Pughtown 2549. Christmas Trees and Light Sets. Watches, Diamonds, Wedding Rings Lester R. Daub, 114 S. Hanover St. O. K. Recapping - 1-day service.

Hanover and Oak Sts. Phone 2581.

Better Snapshots in Photo Pack.

# Pedestrian Is a Casualty

In Freak Crash: Four Motorists Hurt in Another

An alleged hit and run accident, in which fence wire dragged by a moving automobile tured a series of weekend traffic crashes in this area. Four motorists were injured in one mishap and 25 persons escaped injury in another.

Injured in the accidents were: Nelson Carl Weidenbaugh, 22,

of Pottstown, RD 4. Harry Hallman, 70, of Potts-

Charles R. Elicker Jr., 20, of 720 High street. Margaret E. Bartman, 18, of 548 Willow street.

Catherine Stauffer, 20, of 518 Hanover street. Emma Gehris, 18, of 546 Willow street.

Weidenbaugh was admitted to Homeopathic hospital Saturday night after having been struck by a strand of wire. He was walking west on Swamp

Pike, near Fagleysville about 7:45 o'clock when, according, to police, a car driven by Walter Rogers, of Although man and vehicle were

denbaugh's injury was attributed by police to Rogers' car. Rogers, ac-He revealed that the building had in the evening skidded on the same fencing under his car. After completing his business in

Boyertown, Rogers was reported to have returned on Swamp pike where a strand of wife caught Weidenbaugh's foot as he was walking. According to police, Rogers did not stop at the scene of the accident, nor did he render assistance. After investigation by the Collegeville State police, Rogers was arrested yesterday morning for failing

Weidenbaugh suffered a frac-

Hallman suffered head lacera-

None of the children were in-

### Doehler Children Given Gala Party \$450,000,000 in portal-to-portal pay portal pay claims was predicted at today declared the first case in- a meeting yesterday afternoon of

torium with shrills of joy and cries of

It was a big day for old Saint

The gala affair lasted for almost three hours. Plenty of music was provided by the orchestra and Christmas carols were sung. Feature of the entertainment was suit for approximately \$75,000,000 the five-act vaudeville show on the

### sulted in an avalanche of suits Supreme court last June in a pottery thrills and laughter. Man Is Found Injured

Police last night were investigating a story told by Robert A. Peck, of Hanover Heights, who was found lying on the seat of his automobile parked at King and Hanover streets Saturday night at 5:50 o'clock. Patrolman Stanley Borowy ordered his removal to the Pottstown hospital in a Good Will ambulance. It was reported he had suffered a

fractured rib. Peck told police he was kicked in the side by another man, but he

# MAIN DRAG

RAYMOND BORNEMAN -washing windows. ANNA OXENFORD -day dreaming of Christmas. DAVID WILSON -practising basketball. JEAN OXENFORD

-wishing or snow, HARRY SPARE -holding fire hose, MRS. ANNA FAIT -giving dog a walk.

ANTHONY HERMAN --sweeping snow. CHARLES W. RHOADS -trimming out-door Xmas tree.

ROBERT TROUT -enjoying venison meal WILLIAM LINDAUER -buying a Christmas tree.

Total .....\$407.00 Call 3175 for prompt coal delivery.

Piano Tuning

Mercury Relief Fund Previously acknowledged .... 397.00

Photo Greeting Cards. Arrow Camera Shop, 80 N. Charlotte St. Young Turkeys ready now. J. C. Weidenbaugh. Ph. 303-J-1 Expert Watch Repairing. Prompt service. Arnell Store, 261 High St.

Lionel See Adv. on Page 2

Harvey Leroy Wilson. Phone 974 A. E. Willauer, Jeweler, 217 High St. E. Willauer, Jeweler, 217 High St.

### Telephone Decontrol Slated This Month

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 (A)at the same time.

A Civilian Production administratelephone decontrol is due Dec. 31. were 60,000,000 buffalo in the United This will put the ordinary house- States, it is estimated.

lic utilities, which get preference

Curbs on telephone installations will estimated at 2,500,000 the past be wiped out by New Year's, it was month, however, telephone instal- Fourteen young people from Europe learned officially today, and many lations probably will continue to and China are going to have a learned officially today, and many be slow, CPA officials said, and telephone companies have agreed Parke F. Engle, a Washington house- of Christmas I did then, so I sugrestraints on industry may be eased to try to take care of the most ur- wife, knows what it means to be gested to some friends we invite gent needs first.







# holder on the same footing as doctors, essential industries and pub- Washington Woman Plans Yuletide Party For 14 Aliens of U. N. Secretarial Staff

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 (A)-, far from home at this season. some of them down. Others began

Mrs. Engle invited 14 foreigners to volunteer. Why, I never saw tion spokesman told a reporter the Before the white man came, there of the United Nations secretarial some of these hostesses until today. staff in New York for a four-day Christmas visit and arranged with gium, summed up the group's attiher friends and neighbors to open tude: "You do make a lot of it, their homes to them.

Lights glittered from a big Christ- so much gaiety. mas tree and carols rang from the oudspeakers in the Union station as the excited group arrived from New York today and Mrs. Engle parcelled them out with gay informality to volunteer hosts and hostesses. Dances, luncheons, sightseeing, and a big eggnogg party are

"A good many years ago in England at Christmas I was lonely," Mrs. Engle explained. "I'll never forget the English speaking union's inviting me to



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"I knew there were many of

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don't you? It's grand. I never saw

The colored lights were "astonish-

ing" to Olav Mathiesen and Ole

Hamann, Copenhagen, who get let-

ters from home about "how awful

it must be over here with the coal

Lack of coal, they reported, has

put Denmark back on war-time fuel rationing, and Ole said the

Danes probably will have to forego their main Christmas dish, duck,

"because there's no coal to cook

Doreen Wilkins and Zena Altaly

are away from London for the first

T. Y. Sih, Chengtu, China, finds

Christmas here much the same as

among Christian Chinese, who ex-

change cards and gifts and have

Madeline Berthelier, Lyons, and

Yvette Ripplinger, Paris, were happy

to find French - speaking Marie Blanch Fontaine, Montreal, among

Blond, Denise Inion and Francoise

Octors, France, and Miss E. H.

Bold, Winifred Chew and Dorothy

Christmas in their lives.

trees and decorations.

the welcomers.

Round, England.

strike and all."



First pair of new shoes, a pre-Christmas gift from the people of the United States distributed through the American Red Cross, thrills this six-year-old at a Vienna orphanage.

### **More Comfort Wearing** FALSE TEETH Other visitors include Charlotte

Blond, Denise Inion and Francoise Octors, France, and Miss E. H. Bold, Winifred Chew and Dorothy Round, England.

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Strawberries led all commercial

67c Children's Boys'

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### crops for fresh market, bringing an crops on which estimates are made average return of \$648 per acre, for 1946 was estimated at \$10,937,-Horst reported following completion of Federal-State year-end produc- 000, excluding strawberries valued

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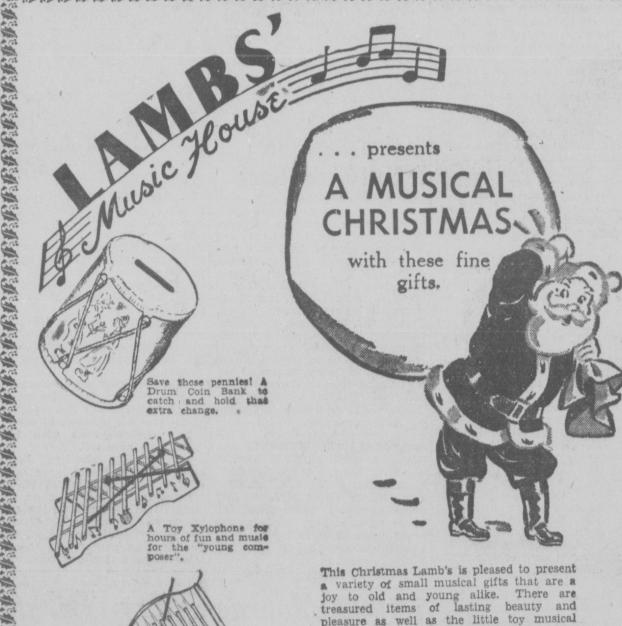
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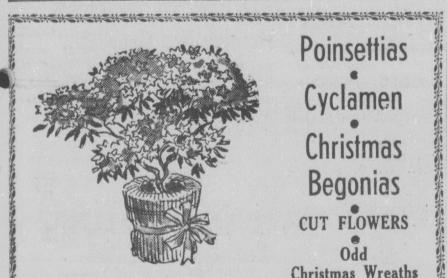
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LUTHERAN

Emmanuel, the Rev. Luther A. Krouse, pastor. Today at 8 p. m., Normal class Christmas meeting. Wednes-

day, 6 a. m., dawn service with carols by a choir of 100 voices. Friday, 2 p. m., children's Christmas party.

Transfiguration, the Rev. Theodore L. Fischer, pastor. Wednesday, 6 a. m.,

St. Peter's, Stowe, the Rev. Kenneth R. Anderson, pastor. Today at 7:30 p. m., Boy Scouts, Tomorrow, 11 p. m., Christmes Eve service with Holy Communion. Thursday, 7 and 8 p. m., Choir

rehearsal. Saturday, volunteers to work

St. James, Dr. Gustave W. Weber, pastor, Today at 7 p. m., Boy Scouts. Tomorrow, 7:30 p. m., Young people's meeting at home of Paul and Margaret Geary, Kenilworth; 11 p. m., candle-light service.

METHODIST

First, the Rev. Horace N. Olewiler, pastor. Today, 2 p. m., chapel choir Christmas party and rehearsal in the home of Mrs. Ralph Schlichter, 869 North Charlotte street; 3 p. m., Brownies Christmas party at the church; 7 p. m., Boy Scouts. Tomorrow, 6:30 p. m., Girl Scouts. Wednesday, 4 a. m., Christmas carolers leave the church; 7 a. m., Christmas dawn service: 7:30 to 10:30 p. m., open house at the home of Mrs. Lepperd, 61 North Evans street, for the chancel choir. Thursday, 7:45 p. m., the Asbury Bible class Christmas party in parsonage. Friday, 2 p. m., children's choir Christmas party and rehearsal in the h me of Mrs. Ralph Schlichter, 869 North Charlotte street; 8 p. m., chancel choir rehearsal. Zion's, the Rev. Howard A. Kosman, pastor. Today at 7:45 p. m., in chapel, Brotherhood's Christmas party. Tomorrow, 11 p. m., Candlelight service. Thursday, 8 p. m., Ladies Aid society Christmas party. Trinity, the Rev. John B. Frantz, pastor. Today at 7:30 p. m., Boy Scouts. Wedresday, 6 a. m., traditional Christmas dawn service.

First, the Rev. Delaine E. Story, pastor. Tomorrow, 11 p. m., annual Christmas Eve service with message, "The Christ Is Come"; Thursday, 7:36 p. m., Church school\*Christmas program, with dramatization "It Happened at Christmas

OTHER CHURCHES Christian Science, 910 High street. Wednesday, 8 p. m., service with testimonies of Christian Science healing.

First Presbyterian, the Rev. A. Burtis Hallock Jr., pastor. Today at 7:30 p. m., Boy Scouts. Tomorrow, 11:30 p. m., Christmas eve candlelight Communion service with caroling by Westminster Fellowship after the service.

Bethel A.M.E., the Rev. Daniel E. Owens, pastor. Thursday, 7:45 p. m.,

Christ Episcopal, the Rev. George A. Lineker, rector. Today, 7:30 p. m., Boy Scouts. Tomorrow, 4 p. m., Brownie troop; 7 p. m., Girl Scouts; 11 p. m., fullestal communion with candlelight service and carol singing.

St. John's, South Pottstown, the Rev. Robert M. Lamparter, pastor, Tomorrow, 7:30 p. m., Christmas Eve communion, Wednesday, 6:30 a. m., festi-The Rev. Julius A. Nieuwland of the University of Notre Dame faculty discovered the basic formula Searles Memorial, the Rev. James D. ulty discovered the basic f Matchette, pastor. Tomorrow, 10:45 for synthetic rubber in 1920.

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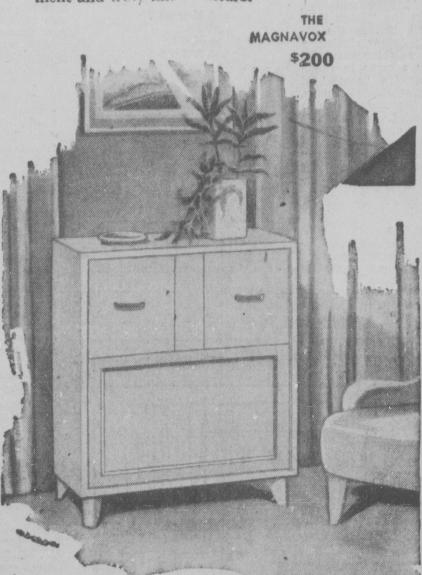
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Boston express and a freight train was re-elected by City council at

ning a few minutes behind a special telopes, elk, deer and buffalo graze

ville, 50 miles south of Montreal, and Newport, Vt., but pulled onto the main track just before the Alouette arrived at the spot.

The latter was just picking up speed when the collission occurred. Both locomotives were damaged

Two passengers on the express and the engineman of the freight were taken to a hospital in Sweetsburg. The former were released after treatment but the trainman, W. W. Crittenden, Montreal, was held. His condition was reported by hospital officials as "serious."

The Alouette was made up of the locomotive and 11 cars. The train left Montreal at 9 a.m., and was due in Boston about 7 p.m. tonight. Railroad officials said the line had been blocked completely and

were unable to estimate how long it would take for wrecking crews to clear away the debris and allow the Alouette to proceed.

### British Ambassador **Recalled From Spain**

MADRID, Dec. 22 (A) - The Britsh embassy announced today that Ambassador Sir Victor Mallet would return to London by plane Tues-

The British government announcthe ambassador's recall last night, six days after the United Nations General Assembly in New York had adopted a resolution calling upon all member nations to withdraw their diplomatic missions from Spain

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CURWENSVILLE, Dec. 22 (AP) -Joseph Riddle, now serving in the Navy's shore patrol at Philadelphia, will find his own job as chief of COWANSVILLE, Que., Dec. 22 (P) police waiting when he is discharged -A Canadian Pacific Montreal-to- from the military service soon. He

Wind Cave National Park in the Black Hills in an 18-square-mile The train, the Alouette, was run- area, entirely fenced in which an-



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Sees "Wolf" in Fire Orders

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Pottstown hotels, but I just wonder if the

MONDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1946

Not rural sights alone, but rural sounds, exhilarate the spirit, and re- issue the orders when the public is instore the tone of languid nature.

The Danger of Fire

Your Christmas tree and the decorations Hotels are not the only places where on it are fire hazards which you will want to there is danger of death from being the watch most carefully.

house it is going to dry up. A fresh cut tree backrooms and cellars? Do we have to will not take fire any more easily during the have an apartment house fire with loss first day or two than would the evergreen of life to make sure that protective shrubs growing outside but it becomes a more measures are undertaken in apartments? serious fire hazard every hour. At the end It is high time that we review the of a week, it will be highly flammable.

a time before Christmas as possible, and to tions would do more good than anything. remove it as soon afterwards as you can. If The way it is now it is just a cry of you do this, ordinary precautions should pre- "Wolf!" as is so often the case in Pottsvent it from taking fire.

The tree can be kept fresh if you set it up in a pan of water. Cut off the base of the tree at an angle at least one inch above the original cut and keep it standing in water during the entire period that the tree is in the house, adding water to the jar or tub to the Pottstown stores for the marvelous in which the tree stands at intervals to keep assortment of good merchandise which the water level always above the cut. This they had available for the Christmas method when used with fresh trees reduces shoppers. Pottstown really is a wonderthe flammability as effectively as any fire-proofing chemicals. Chemicals may cause the troo to turn brown or vellow or to lose its tree to turn brown or yellow or to lose its chandise and wide selection. We're in the needles.

The place you select for your tree should be well away from stoves, radiators, and other sources of heat. When you smoke, keep away from the tree.

The tree should be well secured against falling by inconspicuous wires holding it against the wall. The tree should be so placed that standing or fallen, it cannot block scandal involving disposition of the Big Christianity, is divided into a number of a doorway which might be needed to escape and Little Inch pipelines has led several sects of varying degrees of friendliness. from the room.

The candle for Christmas is still taking its yearly toll of lives and property. It is found on Christmas trees more rarely every year, but none the less, it is used unwisely in many places during the Christmas season. Open flame lighting is entirely out of place unless you set up your candles and lamps well away from Christmas trees, window curtains, and burnable decorations, have a fire extinguisher handy and then keep constant watch over them. Such precautions are not needed for the equally attractive electric lights made especially for decoration.

But it is important that your Christmas lights be in good condition. A short circuit in worn wiring might be sufficient to start the tree burning. Sets bearing the label of Underwriters Laboratories, Inc., have been gave technical explanations for their with- | By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN M D | tested for fire hazard and pronounced safe by drawal, but they apparently have heard

If your fuses are of proper rating, too other Teapot Dome brawl is in the mak- preciate the complex and often severe many lights from one set of outlets will ing. blow them. If this happens, eliminate some of the lights, and replace the blown fuses INTERESTS: Nobody accuses Administra- children-particularly those between the with another of the same size and rating. An

Most important:

If your tree catches fire, call the fire de- partment of Justice to delay such a de- way lose weight to the extent that their partment immediately. Learn the location of cision your nearest fire alarm box, or post the telephone number of the department where it in his office have labored unceasingly to swollen. Growth in general is apt to be will be handy. Have your fire extinguisher checked and place it where it will be handy in case of fire. An additional measure of fire ACTION: As was true with General Sidney Farber of Boston, it is basically protection is the garden hose connected to a Littlejohn's predecessor, W. Stuart Sy- due to a long-continued failure of nutrifaucet within reach of the tree.

Push That Broom!

VILLAGERS of Preston, Md., all agreed: and enthusiastic subordinates. The best way to keep streets trim was to make the men fix them. Into the town by the recent Slaughter Committee re- Dr. Farber thinks that the condition is character actor weighing about 125 charter of 1892 went a clause. Every ablebodied man must give at least one day a scene in which
Sam at least \$5,000,000 annually merely to sprue. The symptoms in sprue are similar he had to drag the "corpse" of bodied man must give at least one day a maintain the properties. There is also to those which I have mentioned, together Richard Powers, weight 225 pounds, year to cleaning and maintaining the streets. There is also the consideration that they depreciate in with other conditions that develop as a the length of the stage. Conlon If he couldn't-or wouldn't-wield a broom, value at an estimated rate of from \$10,000 result of faulty nutrition. re could send a substitute or he could pay a to \$30,000 a day. dollar instead. Or he could go to jail.

and went to the clink. As time went on, desirability of breaking up the so-called also been found quite helpful. The pa- hardly larger than a roller skate, men were hired to tend Preston's two streets. "oil monopoly" has been advanced by tient should, of course, be supplied with which he placed under the posterior men were hired to tend Preston's two streets, "oll monopoly" has been advanced by sub-Littlejohn propagandists as the main liberal amounts of liver extract.

Preston (population 406) was laid out as a this effect. trading post in the wilderness. Street cleaners, decked in 1846 attire, swept up leaves with an extra zest. Maybe they were just making up for wartime lapse of the old

Or maybe they were thinking beyond the pageantry and dancing to the feast coming later on the picnic ground—a roast corn-fed ox and 12,000 oysters.

Editor, The Mercury, Dear Sir 'n' Brother:

Wal, I see by the papers where Venezuela maintain that they would be driven out fats, and also in starchy foods, such as just has had a one-day revolt. In fact, the of business if forced to meet the pipeline potatoes and bread, but should be high uprising was so brief it

one's Christmas shopping! The revolution was a complete washout. Especially for the undertakers, since no one was killed.

didn't interfere with any-

And say: Some street A fighting took place during this Venezuelan uprising, but most of the onlookers said it was no more exciting than a rehearsal for New Year's Eve!

Hopin' you air the same,

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By MERCURY READERS

Pottstown hotels, but I just wonder if the orders will be followed up.

Often when the spotlight is on, orders go out to correct conditions, but too often there is no follow-up to see that the orders are carried out. The authorities censed and fire conscious. Then when -Cowper. the public gets apathetic, they forget forces. about the orders that are issued and the result is the same as before.

If we are going to make Pottstown A LAST word of warning to banish those fire hotels free from danger by fire, then it is necessary that these orders be followed up

trapped by fire. What about our apartment houses, especially those over High Remember when you bring a tree into your street stores where refuse is stored in

whole span of fire protection and adopt a definite program with teeth in it and It is best to bring in a fresh tree as short the law to back it up. A few prosecu-

Let's make it real this time. WORRIED

Local Merchandise Liked

To the Editor: I want to pay tribute

big leagues now. Pottstown SHOPPER

### Washington By RAY TUCKER

government agencies to avoid the \$113,-

His advisers have their language. of the pipelines. rom the nego-

tiations with a terior and Justice Departments, the Federal Power commission and the Army-Navy Petro-

Robert Littlejchn leum Board. Each

overloaded circuit is extremely dangerous for of deliberately striving to turn the Texas- emptying of the bowel. In such children,

force a sale that will require transporta- retarded. tion of petroleum rather than natural gas.

many instances in which a harassed top- be responsible for the nutritional failure resourcefulness of a property man. flight official delegates authority for in the first place.

and clean-up day became just a hilarious reason for utilizing the "Inches" for

Both major and independent companies have declined formally to bid for these carriers. They point out, as did an RFC study, that there is not a sufficient and steady supply of oil in the Texas fields to permit a practical or profitable use of the lines to haul this product.

would damage the "oil trust" for several pancreatic deficiency may be produced by other reasons. Any company purchasing some defect in the formation of this gland or leasing Big and Little Inch would have present at the time of birth, or by scar to buy their petroleum from one of the tissue which forms following an acute in-Grampaw Oakley major firms. It also would have to reply on them for distribution to consuming the treatment of children to consuming the children to children to children to children to children to children to chil centers in the Middle West and North- creatic deficiency varies, of course, with

> PUNKIN CORNERS, WASTE: On the other hand, represen- and certain pancreatic extract. tatives of 190,000 stripper wells in Michithe aggregate their production adds to the nation's supplies of petroleum, and their disappearance would mean a distinct

> > Meanwhile, it is pointed out that more than 1,000,000 cubic feet of natural gas that could heat homes and operate factories are going to waste each day down in Texas.

loss of this key fuel.

It is because of fear of this form of uel and energy that the real opponents of new natural gas outlets in the Middle West and the Northeast are the coalcarrying railroads, the public utilities and John L. Lewis, head of the United Mine GRAMPAW NED OAKLEY Workers.

INTERPRETING THE NEWS

### Reds React Violently To Turkish-Arab Block

By PAUL KERN LEE (Associated Press Staff Writer)

TURKISH sources in London quietly and anonymously confirm that Turkey is exploring the possibilities of forming peaceful Middle Eastern entente of the Arab countries with Turkey.

As vague and comparatively obscure as this is, it has not escaped the eye of

Pravda, offical Communist party organ, immediately poured vitriol on Turkey in record quantities, accusing Turkish leaders of pursuing "risky policy," of "seeking to broaden the arena of these dangerous activities," and of falling for the schemes of "foreign imperialistic

The promptness and vehemence of the Russian reaction evidently is intended to warn the Turks to go easy. Actually, it might very well convince many Turks that the entente idea is good one, else why should the Russians seem so angry about it.

Russia's expressed ambitions apropos Dardanelles and Bosporus are well known; so are Turkey's cordial relations with Britain and the United States during and since the war.

The Turks have been famed as canny operators, bold but prudent in the face of danger, ever since medieval times. Glad they undoubtedly are to have British-American moral backing in issuing their polite nays to Russia, a cozy little accord with the Arabs might also help.

Syria, Lebanon, Iraq, Iran, and even wood sidelines, I'm still baffled by self before making an informative Afghanistan, might be weak but welcome. the mental vagaries of the men who strategic territory.

Whether such a program ever comes into being is another question. Turkey's problem, noting that she is attempting "to nail up a block of Arabic

head of it. The Turks talk blandly about taking business would have given his eye it is a two-suiter, you usually should "the traditional ties existing from Ottoman days."

That is just the trouble. A large part of the Arab world lived under the Ottoman sultans of old Turkey for 500 years and more, and memories of past oppression are long in that part of the globe. Of course, the new Turkey is nothing like the old Turkish empire but to many an Arab a Turk's a Turk for all that. True, the Turks and Arabs share the

great a unifying factor as might be sup-WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 - Fear of posed in the Occident. Islam, like The Turkish language is basically dif-000,000 deal, leaving it to War Assets ferent from Arabic, despite a heavy accre-

> ert M. Littlejohn, sider the Arabic a corrupting influence in warned him to pass When an arrangement with Turkey it to Congress, even is mentioned, the Arabs start talking about if it means further the Alexandretta district, which Turkey

delay in disposing got back from Syria in 1939. The Turks tell you that there is "an alarming suddenly go deaf. The agencies Still bargaining is an old Middle East- boast about his expenditures in ef-

It will be interesting to see how the Dunn remains idle. It doesn't make of the good reasons for not doing Miss Midnight's Notebook brusque "No, thank effort progresses, and to hear what sense. you" are the In- else Russia may have to say about it,

THE MORE we learn about the body's rumors current in the Capital that an- needs for nourishment, the more we appenalties of poor nutrition.

Doctors are often called upon to treat tor Littlejohn, who fed and clothed our ages of one and five-whose chief symp-European forces as quartermaster general, tom seems to be diarrhea, or fréquent New York carriers over to the oil interests, the stools are loose and unformed but not although he was prepared to recommend watery. They are large and have a frothy this action until quietly tipped by the De- appearance. Children afflicted in this bodies have a wasted appearance, while But it is known that several subalterns at the same time the abdomen is greatly

This set of symptoms is known as the celiac syndrome and, according to Dr. mington, it seems to be another of the tion, though four different conditions may without being impressed by the

policy-making decisions to inexperienced One of these probably results from I dropped in on the "Seven Keys lack of a certain vitamin or group of sub- to Baldpate" set just as the di-The need for quick action is shown stances which are found in liver extract. rector called on Jimmy Conlon, a

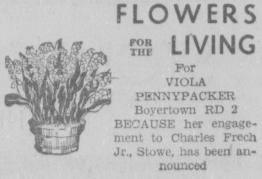
Treatment consists of giving a diet rich quite make the grade. At that in protein foods and limited in fats and point a sympathetic property man Once, half a century ago, a man revolted MONOPOLY: Although the ideological sugars. Bananas and banana powder have came to the rescue with a "dolly," tient should, of course, be supplied with which he placed under the posterior

Another cause of the celiac syndrome should remember "Props" with a transportation of petroleum, the fact is is infections which may occur in the nose, Christmas gift. This Fall marked the 100th year since that such a disposition would not have throat, sinuses, kidneys, or elsewhere in the body. In such cases, infection inter- The Old San Fernando Valley feres with nutrition and the intestinal dis- ranch house that's being remodelled turbance clears up when the infection is by Veronica Lake and Andre de few weeks ago, went to her first removed, as many of them can be by Toth is going to have one more furniture auction and let enthusiasm

drome is a lack of secretions from a gland ture in the "why." Veronica, a house her surplus purchases, in the abdomen known as the pancreas. Children with this condition have poor Using the pipelines for a flow of oil nutrition, large stools, and diarrhea. The

The treatment of children with panthe condition present. However, many of them get along very well with proper diet

Vitamins may be given in liberal gan, Illinois, Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky amounts. The diet should be limited in competition of oil. They operate on a in protein foods, such as meat, milk and narrow margin and could not survive. In eggs, with plenty of vegetables and fruits.



### THE FIRE WORSHIPPER



By JIMMIE FIDLER

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 22-After The support of Egypt, Saudi Arabia, more than 25 years on the Holly-

So what happened?

pretty little Oscar, Jimmy has made exactly one picture - a low-budgeted semi-quickie in which he was given little or no chance to display his ability. When that picture was released, he found himself relegated, in the advertising, to a position of secondary importance.

Mohammedan religion, but that is not as if he could play one type of role only and if there had been a dearth of such roles — his case might be understandable. But Dunn is not difficult to cast. There have been a hundred good roles perfectly Administrator Rob- tion of Arabic words. Many Turks con- suited to him. If his salary demands were out of all reason, his idleness might be accounted for. But the fact is that he demands less 1. 1 \* money than most of his rivals.

Talk to any producer and he will scarcity" of capable actors. He'll which have retired ern pastime and mutual advantages of an fort and money to dig up new tala Jimmy

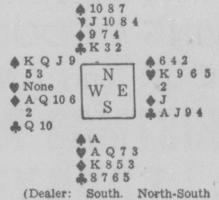
> IDOL CHATTER: It's impossible to appraise those wellrounded arms of Linda Darnell's without considering them the neck's best thing . . . Cited for still another medal: Audie Murphy, for refusing to exploit his fame as a war hero by making paid personal appearances . . . What's Olga San Juan ever done to Paramount that they should

> label her "The Midriff?" . Add actors in need of a good role to bolster fading prestige: Michael O'Shea . . How fortunate for Bing Crosby that the loss of hair isn't accompanied by the loss of voice! . . . Names that confuse: Jane Wyman and Jane Wyatt . . . There's nothing wrong with Jane Withers' career that good roles and the right kind of publicity wouldn't cure Silly notion: Joan Crawford refusing a chocolate sundae.

Rarely do I visit a movie set For instance: At RKO yesterday, huffed and puffed, but couldn't of the corpus delecti. Conlon vulnerable.)

By SHEPARD BARCLAY What If He Passes?

ONE GOOD question to ask yourit earned him an Academy Award. For a few weeks, he was the toast double. If your hand is strong countries with non-Arabic Turkey at the of the town. During those few enough, you may find it advisable to weeks, any actor's agent in the cue-bid the opponent's suit. Or, if teeth to have Dunn under contract. prefer bidding one of your suits, with a call of one higher than mini-Nothing! Since winning that mum if your suits are good enough.



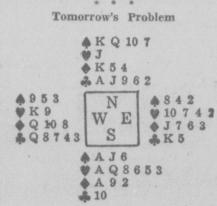
vulnerable.) West North Dbl Pass Pass 1 A Pass 1 NT Pass Pass 3 NT Pass Pass 4 4 Pass Pass Pass

In the first sequence you find

so. One reason was that he had two-suiter, making it desirable second suit. The other reason was Among the autograph seekers waiting outthat he would not be pleased if his side the Alving partner make a business pass of the Theater for Ingrid double, exactly what East did. After Bergman-two red-South passed that, he got set only garbed, bearded two tricks, scoring two high trumps Santas! . . . Conand a ruff plus the spade A in his trasting literati at own hand and a ruff in dummy.

That double produced only 500 Whom the Bell points for West's side. The sound- Tolls") Hemingway er action at the other table pro- and Kathleen duced a score of 980 when the spade ("Forever Amber") small slam was made, with the loss Winsor . . . Eugene of only a single trump trick.

West at Table 2 soundly preferred ally somber, chuckto show one of his suits, at the ling like a happy minimum range because he did not Elk at Ethel Merconsider himself quite strong man's "Annie enough for 2-Spades. But after clowning . East was able to keep it open, he Duke of Windsor, was ready for a jump and later on on Park Avenue the cue-bids of minor aces made (well, where else?) the slam sound like a worthwhile with his hat brim



(Dealer: South. North-South After South's 1-Heart, what would you bid on North's hand in a match-point duplicate game?

room than their original plans get the better of sober judgement. Still a third cause for the celiac syn- called for, and there's human na- The extra room will be needed to

### Pottstown . Sketches By PHILLIPS



"Frankly, Jared Krause, I find the story a little illogical?"

# 25 Years Ago

WATCH PRESENTED - Clerk of

In Retrospect

50 Years Ago

December 23, 1896

officiated.

graduate nurse of the Homeopathic hos- month of the Mohammedan year, which pital, yesterday was married to Frank goes on for three or four days. Townsend, Providence, R. I., in the home of Councilman and Mrs. Lloyd C. Keim, was performed by the Rev. Arthur C. Simpson, pastor of the First Presbyterian

Chief of Police Harry Swavely that thieves month and one or two lesser anniversaries entered his hennery and made away with are also marked. 24 chickens and three geese.

Those countries cover a lot of highly- boss the movie industry. For in- double for a takeout is "Would you Margare" T. Welsh was re-elected presi- comprise 11 per cent, and celebrate Holi in like it if your partner made a busi- dent of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the the spring and Durga-puja at the time of Two years ago, Jimmy Dunn, in ness or penalty pass?" If the ans- Ancient Order of Hibernians. Miss Jane the autumnal equinox, a ten-day festival "A Tree Grows In Brooklyn," turn- wer is negative, then it is wise to A. McCarthy was named vice president, in honor of the victory of the goddess Pravda unerringly puts the finger on ed in a performance so good that look for some other action than a chosen treasurer.

In honor of the victory of the goddess and Miss Felicitas C. McCarthy was purple of the property of the goddess and Miss Felicitas C. McCarthy was purple of the victory of the goddess and Miss Felicitas C. McCarthy was purple of the goddess and Miss Felicitas C. McCarthy was purple of the victory of the goddess and Miss Felicitas C. McCarthy was purple of the goddess and Miss Felic

## 10 Years Ago

KIDDIES DINED - Members of the Dasahara.

Kiwanis club were hosts to 38 boys and girls at the club's annual Christmas party. Carson C. Potter was general chairman in charge of arrangements, while Dr. Paul Z. Hoffman portrayed Santa Claus. Turkey was served.

of a heart attack resulting from excite- is celebrated for three days, and other ment when fire swept Northcott's home holidays occur throughout the year, with in Birchrunville. EVANS LASHES BACK - Burgess Jesse R. Evans lashed back at members

of the Pottstown Rotary club for be-

rating him and other borough officials

whom the Rotarians charged with laxity

in enforcing traffic regulations on High

# Voice of Broadway

GOTHAM SCENERY: Joan Crawford, to show one suit first so that, if surrounded by breathless fans, sipping a the opponents then jumped their chocolate soda in her favorite New York suit to a high point, he could complete his own story by bidding his drinking place—Hicks' sweet shoppe . . .

> "21"—Ernest ("For O'Neill, tradition-

Carole Landis

venture, which it proved to be. turned down all the way round, like Dick his office, bowling or seeing a movie. Tracey's . . . Carole Landis, a dreamboat in a white velvet dress, looking like a him with only modest success. I can't grownup boy's notion of a White Christ- seem to penetrate his old bachelor's mas as she glides into Toots Shor's . . . armor. Dr. Crane, what else do you Rise Stevens and her two-year-old tot advise?" gabbing with the Macy Santa Claus . . . Hildegarde keeping the Radio City breezes

> ALL AROUND THE TOWN: Want a short, sharp shock? Author Joseph Lewis, who apparently loves a good fight, is planning to come out with "conclusive proof" that Thomas Jefferson did not write the Declaration of Independence . . . Troubadour Burl Ives is the latest performer to find himself in the middle of a managerial squabble. A lad who claims to have discovered him is suing for \$25,000 . . . Although she really stole the show from all of them, topflight glamour girls weren't a bit put out at the excitement caused by Sister Kenny at Earl Blackwell's "Celebrity" cocktail party. Such belles as Paulette Goddard, Pat Smart, Marlene Dietrich and June Havoc stood in line, shinyeyed and respectful, to meet her and shake her hand.

Mary Lou Schroeder is pruning the local playboys' pocketbooks. She's been dieting on caviar! . . . Jewel Steve, the ex-Mrs. Buster Keaton, will produce her "Advertising and Sales Psychology" not own play, "Mother Please Behave," on because she was particularly interested in Broadway . . . Some Wall Streeters blame those subjects, but because such an evea very famous statesman for the current stock market dipsy-doodle. They claim from 25 to 40 years of age on whom she his extensive selling, carefully noted by could try her technique. Moreover, these colleagues who chart his every breath, started the ball rolling downhill . . . The better prospects for a beginner. Sardi set hears that Bob Hope wants Dame" for him, despite the road raps . . Hildegarde is hiding out in the Poconos (at Skytop) to rest her voice. Renee Russell, the blonde show

girl, is recuperating from an appendectomy. She and her mother were stricken with appendicitis at the same time, rushed to the same hospital and operated on simultaneously . . . Helena Bliss, in London with "Gypsy Lady," is being wooed by the youngest son of one of Britain's oldest titled families . . . There's plenty of scotch on hand if you want to pay as high as \$175 acase . . . The cinema crowd won't be startled if Janet Michaels becomes Mrs. George Brent.

# ALL AROUND THE TOWN Holiday Not General...

COUPLE MARRIED — Miss Loumina CHRISTMAS FACTS — You're all mole, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hezekiah wrapped up in Christmas (no pun Amole, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hezekiah P. Amole, Warwick township, was married intended) and since it's only two days in Lloyd's Baptist church to Levi R. away, you probably think everybody's Hughes. The Rev. W. T. Scheiffley thoughts are on Wednesday. You'll prob-HOME FOR HOLIDAYS - Frank P. as most of the people in the world are Stichter, George W. Weidner and Lewis concerned. Only an estimated 31 per-Ward. Pottstown residents employed at cent of the world's population professes the bridge works at Sparrows Point, Md., returned to their homes for the Christmas Christianity, leaving a billion and a half non-Christians who do not celebrate the birthday of Jesus Christ.

ABOUT 285,000,000 Mohammedans Courts-elect William P. Young received a handsome 18-karat gold watch as a commemorate instead the birth of Mo-Christmas present from his father, Wil- hammed in the 12th day of the third month on their lunar calendar and the birthday of El-Hoseyn in the fourth month. The chief festivals of Mohammedanism, as listed by the reference work, are 'Eed-es-Sagheer, which lasts for three MISS THOMPSON BRIDE - Miss days, and 'Eed el-Kebeer, beginning on Elsie Thompson, Princetown, N. J., a the tenth of Zu-el-Heggeh, the last

THE MOHAMMEDANS, who make up 602 High street. A double ring ceremony 13 per cent of the globe's population, also keep holy the first ten days of Moharram, the first month of the year, particularly the tenth day, called Yom Ashoora. The CHICKEN THIEVES ACTIVE - Henry anniversary of the prophet's miraculous Rutkowsky, Fagleysville, reported to ascension into heaven in the seventh

MISS WELSH RENAMED - Miss tion of the world's people are Hindus, who Mahishasura. This celebration ends after nine days of worship of Durga when the image of the ten-armed goddess, holding a weapon in each hand, is cast into the water on the tenth day, known as

cent of the world's population, observe the day when Buddha left him home, the anniversary of his birth and the day when he attained to perfection and entered FIRE KILLS TWO - William North- Nirvana. Some Buddhists celebrate Trut, cott, 87, was burned to death and a the festival of the close of the year, with neighbor, Mrs. Margaret Weaver, 58, died visiting and play-going. The new year presents made of cakes of new rice being exchanged on the last day of June.

> Christian religious groups are made up of the Confucianists and Taoists of China, comprising 13 percent of the world's population; primitive, animist, fetish and magic cults, 9 percent; Hebrews, 1 percent; Shintoists in Japan, 1 percent; Sikhs in India, 1-5 of 1 percent, and Jains in India, 1-20th of 1 percent. The adherents of all other religious sects, including state religions, make up 12.75 percent of the population of the world.

# The Worry Clinic

By DR. GEORGE W. CRANE

to win in life," she announced at luncheon, "except a husband! "As a matter of fact, I never cared for

after college I went to work. "I've had several positions, never being out of work more than four days. I feel sure I can get a job anywhere and at

"In our applied psychology class, I met Bart, who is an engineer, 33 years old and attractive looking.

content with his bachelor life. He never goes with any other girls. He is out several nights a week with the fellows from "I've tried some of your psychology on

Marsha is a charming Evanston girl off her shoulders with an ermine sweater. of cultured parents. But she is so efficient and mentally competent that she scares

> night, he politely started to help her into his car and then go around to climb into the driver's seat.

"I can get in all right." Of course she could get in all right. But it didn't compliment Bart to belittle

isn't always a feminine asset. Men get a thrill out of the clinging vine type of woman, for she makes them feel they are strong, dominant he-man.

take a course in public speaking. I vetoed the idea because we limit such courses to about 20 students, and only half would be men.

She needs wider opportunity to select her mate. Introvertive, complacent Bart is a tough egg to crack, especially while she is just learning masculine psychology. So I advised her to take my course in

ning class would contain nearly 100 men men would be more extrovertive and thus

I had her sit in the front row where Paramount to grab "Toplitzky of Notre they could all see her. Then I let her pass out the examination papers each

> her a little. This gave her a chance to engage in snappy repartee; to smile and show her pretty teeth.
>
> The second week she was invited to a college dance by one of the men. She

> sons, although she makes an "A" grade, and he is barely rating a "B." Of course, he doesn't know that.

gun-to win men galore. She has more dates now than she can accept,

# Majority Doesn't Know It ..

ably be astonished to know, then, that Wednesday will be just another day as far

ANOTHER SUBSTANTIAL propor-NEARLY 165,000,000 Buddhists, 8 per-

OTHER LARGE segments of non-

MARSHA F., 26, is pretty, poised, and earning \$175 a month "I've obtained everything I have tried

men till two years ago. A career was what I was after. So I won a scholarship, made straight "A" average and then

any time. But apparently I cannot win a man. That fact irritates me terribly.

"He drives me home from class each night, and seems to like me, but he is too

most fellows off. Men are on the defensive around her. When Bart took her home the first

"Oh, don't be silly," she protested.

Marsha wanted to know if she should

week for my true-false quiz. Naturally, the men on the aisles kidded

soft-pedaled her efficiency and independent traits. She smiled and complimented her companion. She has him helping her with her les-

Within three months, Marsha had be-

his offer of gallantry And it showed her independence, which FRANCE, ITALY SIGN PACT ROME, Dec. 22 (P)-Italy and Father of Seven France signed a new trade agreement today providing for the exchange of more than \$30,000,000 worth of goods next year.



PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 22 (A)-The 35-year-old father of seven children, en route home after buying Christmas gifts for his family, was decapitated in the collision of his mocorcycle with an automobile.

Police, identifying the victim as Amandus Fritz, said the force of the crash was so great the man's head was hurled 25 feet from the

Identity of the driver of the automobile was sought today by police Witnesses said Fritz, a machinist at the Philadelphia Naval base, apparently saw the onrushing car and tried to swerve his cycle out of its path last night.

Fritz's oldest child is 13, the voungest, nine months. After being informed of the accident, Mrs. Fritz gathered her children about her.

"Daddy won't be here for Christmas," she said. "He went to a far off place while helping Santa

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It may be the season of good cheer for many of us, but not for Alayuk Annguzuk, 11/2-year-old Eskimo boy, and his dogs, "Rowdy" and "Sonya" (the pup). They came from Whale's Island, Alaska, with Alayuk's parents to participate in a Newark, N. J., department store exhibit. The trio would rather be back in Alaska.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22 (P) — The ecent Paris conference of the nited Nations education MEETING TERMED SUCCESS United Nations educational, scien- In Chrisimas Sales tific and cultural organization was hailed as a success today by Asrator Chester Bowles.

ourned on a Friday the 13th.



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sistant Secretary of State William William M. Park, acting regional however, are not capable of the Benton and former Price Adminis- director of the U.S. Department strategic duties assigned to VHB of Commerce, announced today groups. Of the 20 most serious fires in after a spot check of leading dethis country since 1900, none partment stores and other retail establishments in the Philadelphia area that Christmas sales will reach an all-time peak.

Park said "The total value of sales is expected to reach an all- and Russia, are outweighed, it is time high" though "the total number of sales will remain at about the same level as a year ago.'

America was called Vinland by Leif Ericsson because when he reached its coast around the year 1000 he discovered an abundance in bombardment aviation and tardy of wild grapes.

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# AAF Behind Goal in Fighting Strength, Unprepared for War, Spaatz Declares

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 (P)-The in building up its tactical and force plan of the Army Air Forces to re- during the war, probably trails both over "full fighting effectiveness" the United States and Britain both by the end of this year has gone in numbers of aircraft and in de- meeting was held after which Christawry under the impact of demobili- | sign. zation and economy.

be for quite a long time."

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As explained by those concerned with the AAF program, the situ-

Actually the Air Forces has about the planned number of men for the interim force, 400,-000. It has the required number of approximately 6000 air craft-and many more.

But it has nowhere near the number of trained, experienced men among the 400,000, nor the organization needed to operate so vast and intricate a machine as a modern air force.

For reasons of military security officials were unable to specify the precise number or condition of units. So far as is known, only one "very heavy bombardment" unit the type which operates super long range bombers and can drop atom bombs if needed-is in comparative readiness for emergency. Overseas air forces needed to support occupation duties have been hard hit by cutbacks but still manage to maintain a semblance of strength. They,

About the only glum satisfaction AAF planners have is their belief that while the United States air fleet may be in poor condition at the moment it still remains the most powerful in the world. The other two major military powers, Britain believed here.

Britain's RAF, dwarfed during the latter years of the war by the AAF, has suffered proportionately heavier reductions in the postwar months than the American force.

Russia, never especially interested

AAF officials say the air force Gen. Carl Spaatz, AAF command- now is just beginning to recover

er, announced that goal the past from a low point of disorganization March. Asked today the state of reached the past Summer. Loss that program, AAF officials an- through demobilization of key personnel, including maintenance men "We are not ready to fight a war as well as air crews, was a factor if one came today-and we won't upsetting the hope Spaatz expressed the past Winter.

Upon this difficulty were imposed financial stringencies arising out of general cutbacks, a situation for which the AAF policy makers do not blame the administration but which nevertheless has put planning into

Of equal concern, planners say uncertainty over appropriations the new economy-minded Congress. This is reflected in hesitaion over procurement plans for new bombardment type aircraft and fighters and keeps the operations of the design department restricted to drawing boards instead of the desired rate of experimental building.

No American President ever died on a Friday the 13th.



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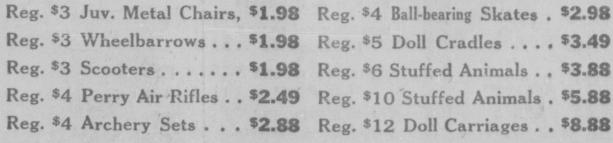


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The Helping Hands club held its Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Frank Fiorini. A short business mas gifts were exchanged and secret pals revealed. The spirit of Christmas prevailed throughout. Prize winners at cards were Mrs. John Docker, Mrs. Russell Trace, Mrs. William Martin, Mrs. Herman Angstadt, Pearl Hartman and Mrs. Charles Angstadt. Others present were Mrs. Stewart Kline, Mrs. William Leiser, Mrs. Leroy Haas, Mrs. Scott Ludwig, Mrs. Mary Spayd, and

the hostess, Mrs. Fiorini. Gifts were sent to three local boys who are still in the service. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Carter became the parents of a daughter at Community General hospitall, Reading.

Mrs. Raymond A. Trievel and infant son returned home from Reading hospital.

Mrs. Daniel Haas is a surgical patient at Reading hospital. Charles Mauger and Amy, Ludwig, of Pottstown, Mrs. Betty Sullivan

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and son, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stout, of Reading, visited Scott Ludwig and

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jured in the crash which occured were his father, a brother and a at the intersection of routes 100 brother-in-law. and 83, Hanover Heights. Hallman's injuries required several the past Nov. 20. stitches in a local physician's office.

Officer John J. Boyle, of the North Coventry township police, in- switchboard operator reported a vestigated. The bus, operated by flood of calls to inquire about the Arthur W. George, of Womelsdorf, births. was going southward on Route 100 and made a left turn on Route 83 as the children were bound for a themselves." she commented. Christmas service in the Phoenixville Reformed church.

The milk truck, operated by Isaac Albright, of Pottstown RD 1, was 11th living group born in the United proceeding northward on Route 100 States. on the way to Pottstown. The bus struck the side of the light truck cubator tonight as a "precautionary which was overturned.

Elicker, and the Misses Bartman, Stauffer and Gehris were Injured in a crash which occured Saturday night at 10:55 o'clock on West High street near Rice street.

Investigation of the accident by police Sgt. Daniel J. Linton and told her mother, Mrs. P. H. Geast, Motor Patrolman Earl Rhoads during a transAtlantic telephone brought about the statement of call that, "I'm perfectly fit. Every-Mack Storm, of 816 North Evans thing's going along fine.' street, who was a passenger in the car driven by Elicker.

He told police that the car, operated by Miss Bartman, pulled out Mrs. Henn told her mother: on High street from a point near Rice street without lights showing. The Bartman car, he said, started According to Storm. Elicker attempted to avoid strikhalt in time, crashing into the Charles J. Henn, the paternal grand-

Miss Bartman told police that she drove southward on Rice street to its intersection with High street and then halted. She claims to after the births. have looked up and down the concrete roadway and to have seen a

She said she thought she had doing nicely. plenty of time and drove out on to when her machine was struck in the persons injured were in the Bart-

The injured were taken to the Pottstown hospital where Elicker was treated for brush burns of right knee and forehead, also a small laceration under the chin.

Miss Bartman suffered back inuries and was scheduled to an X-ray examination. Miss Stauffer received back injuries but was discharged from the hospital. Miss Gehris suffered body injuries and also was discharged.

No one was injured, but two cars were damaged, in a crash at King and Hanover streets Saturday afternoon at 3:10 o'clock.

According to police, Louis F. Seregely, Star Route, said he halted his automobile at Hanover street

the intersection when his car was nesday. The following officers were struck by a machine being driven elected: President, Mrs. Theodore southward on Hanover street by N Raymond C. Hartenstine, of 19 Han- McCalicher; secretary, Marian Rhy-

### BEVIN SPEECH -

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purpose for which it was originally

Bevin predicted also that Yugoslavia, which he said was faced "with a great task of economic reconstruction," would co-operate for

"Italy, injured as she is by the war, can be sure of the help of the she will soon get on her political derlich.

mild issue with the 100 or more parliamentary critics within his own party, some of whom have accused left by plane for New Delhi today. him of teaming with the United States at the expense of Russia.

Britain, he said, does not tie herself to anybody and extends the "hand of friendship and co-

operation to all." Acknowledging that the peacemakers at times caused "anxious moments" when they failed to agree, Bevin appealed for patience and expressed the belief that they were on the right track.

"I believe we have entered the first stage of establishing concord and harmony between the great powers," he declared.

"First, we are agreed on the first round of the peace treaties, which are the instruments to restore normality after the war.

"Second, we are shaping the organization to which the United Nations look to guide their relations and keep the peace.' While some goals have been

achieved, he continued, there is an "enormous amount of work to be done at Moscow."

"We must avoid the creation of a cesspool of cheap and half-starved labor in middle Europe. At the same time we must ensure that Germany can never again be a men-ace to the allies."

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Mrs. Henn entered the hospital

Shortly after the news of the arrivals was broadcast, the hospital

"Just people who heard it on the radio and wanted to find out for Quadruplets are born on an average of once in 658,903 deliveries. The Henn quads were believed to be the

The babies were placed in an in-

measure," the hospital said. Mr. and Mrs. Henn, the former Dorothy Geast, London, were married in England on

Jan, 1, 1945. They have one other son, Johnny, about 17 months. Only yesterday, Mrs. Henn had

The call was made from the hos-

Talking of the expected quads,

"Mother, everything is going fine You know I've been here a month and I'm quite O.K. In a London paper, it was all wrong. I'm not ill. I'm just here for a rest.

After the quads were born, Mrs mother said at the family home in suburban Catonsville where her son and his wife live that she had heard the news from her son shortly

"He was a little excited-at first," said the elder Mrs. Henn, "but he machine approaching eastward some said everything was all right; the babies and she (Mrs. Henn) are

She said the Henns, and the the highway. She said she was in household as a whole, hadn't been the second eastbound traffic lane excited about the matter because "we didn't want to build our hopes rear. Aside from Elicker, all other too high. We wanted to wait and see that everything was all right. Henn's mother said:

"We're so glad we got a granddaughter. We have eight grandsons now-and we wanted a granddaughter so bad." "My son told me, boys, boys,

boys," she related. "Then he told me we had a granddaughter. I was so glad."

The younger Henns and their son live with his parents, together with three of Henn's brothers and a sister, and his mother said tonight:

Miss Jean Garner, Star Route, Potts-town, corr. Phone Pughtown 2710 Charles Orrs, delivery.

Election of officers occurred at the while facing eastward on King regular meeting of the Claudia Women's Bible class in the Har-Seregely said he started to cross monyville Brethren church on Wedian; vice presiden mer; assistant secretary, Mrs. John Frock; treasurer, Mrs. Laura Frock; teacher, Mrs. W. G. Nyce.

The morning was spent in quilting, after which a chicken dinner was served, provided by Mrs. A. C. Wunderlich. After a brief devotional period, the group resolved itself into a Christmas party. Humorous readings were contributed by Mrs. Joseph Placido. Gifts were exchanged.

world peace with the family of na- Mrs. Lewis Murray, Mrs. Harry Mc-Present were Mrs. Laura Frock, Calicher, Vanie P. Keim, Mrs. Mary Dise, Mrs. E. K. Lloyd, Mrs. Adam rest of us," he continued. "She Ritt, Mrs. Clair Wunderlich, Mrs. must herself provide will and lead- Frederick Lillich, and her little son, ership on the part of her own Geoffrey, Mrs. W. G. Nyce, Mrs. democratic leaders. If this is done, Placido and the hostess, Mrs. Wun-

The foreign secretary also took WAVELL LEAVES ENGLAND CAMBRIDGE, England, Dec. 22 (P) - Lord Wavell, viceroy of India,

Residence Phone:

### Airliner Crashes on House in England

POTTSTOWN MERCURY, POTTSTOWN, PA.



A Dakota airliner perches on the roof of house near Northolt airport, Middlesex, England, after taking off in a snowstorm, and striking four other houses (adjacent row in background). None of the plane's four occupants was injured. (AP Wirephoto via radio from London.)

They signalled to reconnaissance

south of Tanabe on the Wakayama

Associated Press Correspondent

Frank L. White reported from Wa-

lashed up and picked off villages

perched on the edges of cliffs along

Saturday's great seismic upheaval.

The general public seemed sur-

prisingly unconcerned. Some Jap-

many shocks during the great B29

raids of the war that they were

insensitive to further catastrophe.

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planes that all were safe.

peninsula

the western shore

far under earlier estimates.

(Continued from Page One)

There were no reports of any American deaths or injuries. Two groups of American soldiers—cstiated at about 100 in all—were stranded in the center of the disaster area but indicated to lowflying planes that they escaped un-Their only request was for fresh water. Assistance for them and for the hundreds of thousands of Japanese victims was on the way by land, sea and air.

The Japanese kyodo news agency out the totals at 732 dead, 660 injured and 82 missing, exclusive of moto as three-fourths covered by southern Shikoku island, where Shingu half destroyed with thou- expected costs of occupation. heavy casualties were feared but sands of persons huddling on the were unreported due to wrecked

There was every indication the nomeless far exceed the 300,000 esti- reported Capt. W. G. Shore, Kanmated by the Japanese home min- sas City, Mo. stry. American fliers on reconnaissance sighted thousands of vicims huddled in the open.

Units of the U.S. 25th Infantry division sought to reach Americans caught in the partly-inundated town of Tanabe, on the west coast of anese said they had endured so the Wakayama peninsula, and Shinghu, virtually destroyed by fire, on the East coast,

Medical supplies were dropped to the men by Navy planes, but aparently were not needed. Another group of Americans

was in flooded Kushimoto, on the southern tip of Wakayama, a coastal plain severely pummeled by successive tidal waves.



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Furthermore, the Army plans to

a row of houses as a firebreak," Small earth shocks were felt through last night but they ap-

early estimates and may top them by as much as \$1,000,000,000. That kayama that tidal waves apparently would more than offset a saving of about \$800,000,000 from discontinuance of subsidy payments in the Philadelphia area. The Governwake of price decontrol, they ob-

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### For Employes' Children Since V-J Day, Peace Outlook Darkened WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 (AP) - | CIO. The Labor department's labor- pany employes will jam into the today with the fewest workers on ported a week ago that labor dis-

Strikers' List Reduced to Lowest Level

The nation entered Christmas week

tion industries involving CIO steel, assume the task of keeping indusauto and electrical workers, and trial peace. another soft coal strike is possible March 31. But the Labor department reports a definite tapering off Meister Singers Bring in work stoppages at the Christmas

Just 18 new strikes of 3600 workto Dec. 18, the Conciliation service cheer to the wards of Valley Forge reports. Another 112 strikes con- General hospital vesterday. tinued into that week, involving another 39,745 persons.

making 200,000 workers idle each

Heartened by this, the Conciliation service is enthusiastically backing a Middle-Atlantic labor-management conference in Philadelhia tomorrow as an experimental attack on industrial strife at the local levelwhere is usually begins.

The service spokesmen figure that except for the big nation-wide struggles for which policy generally s made by industrialists in New York and union leaders in Washington or Detroit, most disputes are strictly local affairs.

Secretary of Labor Schwellenbach and Conciliation Director Edgar L. Warren, supporters of voluntary methods for dealing with labor troubles, hope the Philadelphia meeting may show the way.

The session was initiated by labor and industry representatives in the ment quickly endorsed it. A detailed program will be developed at tomorrow's meeting.

A Labor department representative said the Philadelphia plan embodies advantages of the local cooperative method used successfullyin Toledo, O., and Louisville, Ky.

Peter J. Manno, youthful Philathe badly-damaged southern por- water, Tanabe as "beaten up in ask congress for \$370,000,000 more delphia branch director for the Contion of Wakayama prefecture and general," Seto as "in bad shape" and this fiscal year to cover higher than ciliation service, will be chairman of the conference. He will have no vote except in case of a tie. Taking part will be ten representatives of Three inmates escaped from the management and ten for labor Pennhurst State school yesterday five from the AFL and five from the morning. According to Collegeville CIO. In addition, lawyers will have state police, they were recaptured their say—two representing manby the police within a few hours. agement, one the AFL and one the

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downs, impend in big mass produc- unions and employers should now shifts in the plant.

# **Yuletide Cheer to Vets**

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The group, under the direction of Mrs. Jeanne S. Lepperd, sang At the start of 1946, strikes were Christmas carols to the veterans for more than two hours. The singers are sponsored by Raymond H. Piersol, president of the Kiwanis

YULE ORNAMENTS STOLEN

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 22 (AP) -You'd think nobody could be that for Great Britain today carrying mean,' members of the Somerton lions club remarked today after a hief stole 25 strings of lights and most of the ornaments from a

Christmas tree which they decorated in front of the community honor nard, 45, editor of the Canard Enplaque. "And we spent five hours chaine, best known of French satiin the rain trimming it too," they rical weeklies, died today at his

About 1500 children, all under 12 of Firestone Tire and Rubber com-

putes no longer are the primary re- parties, spaced so as to be con-Wage contests, and possible shut- sponsibility of Government and that venient for members of all three The parties will be held from 10 a. m. to noon and from 7 to 9 p. m., and will present for the enjoyment of the youngsters a Santa Claus,

Two Parties Arranged

gifts for each, and a two-hour variety show from Philadelphia. The show will feature dog acts juggling and a clown. The gifts

Clarence E. Heitman will be in charge of the staff of some 100 employes who have planned the party and will participate in its direction and safety.

Thomas Storm will don the appropriate gear to represent the gentleman from the North Pole.

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 22 (AP The transport ship Samaria sailed

the last 2000 of the 35,000 German prisoners of war interned in Canada FRENCH EDITOR PASSES

PARIS, Dec. 22 (A)-Pierre Be-

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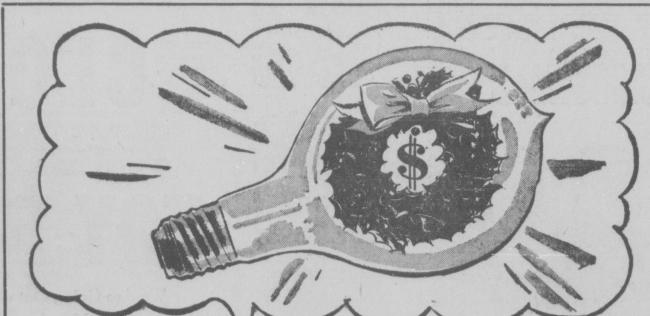
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Paul Dallas, Charles Garner, Nelda W. Weber. Geschwind, Joan Jacobs, Louise Kummerer, William Kummerer, Sr., Mrs. Edward Morell, Margaret Ann Neiman, Leroy Oldt, Janet Rhoads, Charles Richards, Marjorie Saylor, Page 1. Jand Memorial park. Bearers were Harry Lee, Charles Moore, Cyril Yeager, John Keiter, Harry Cor-nelius and Eugene Halderman. H. W. Sweinhart, James Van Horn nelius and Eugene Halderman. and Mrs. James Van Horn.

Missed one Sunday in 1946, R. E. Geschwind, Penny Himes, Burton Jones, Luther Neiman, Barbara Saylor, Charles Yerger and Albert Zink.

Missed two Sundays in 1946, Ruth Gehris, Jeanne Garner, Doris Knause, Mrs. Wayne Knause, J Alfred Marquet, Fred Marquet, Edward Miller, Gertrude Ropeter, Charles Saylor, Elmer E. Saylor, Ronald Seasholtz, Gladys Stetler and Mrs. H. W. Sweinhart.

Perfect attendance for years, Charles Garner and Charles Richards.; four years, Paul Dallas; five years, Margaret Ann Neiman; six years, Joan Jacobs.

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The funeral of CLARENCE BEN-The Christmas program of the night after fighting a blaze, will be St. James Lutheran church school held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock from a funeral parlor at 112 North Recitations, exercises and carols Washington street by the Rev. were presented by the Beginner and Delaine E. Story. He was the hus-Primary departments. A play, "The band of Marie (Wright) Dettra and Christmas Candle," was given by the son of Mr. and Mrs. William pupils of the Main department, and Dettra, of 19 South Rohland street. Interment will be in Highland

The funeral of ELSIE GRACE East End cemetery. Perfect attendance records fol- G. Crater, of 246 KEIM STREET, low:
Perfect attendance for 1946, William Boden, Mrs. William Boden,
Paul Dallas Charles Garner Nelda

Interment was private in Highland Memorial park. Bearers were

Last rites for MARY (AMOLE) WILLAUER, wife of H. Newton Willauer, of POTTSTOWN RD 1, were conducted Saturday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock from the late resi-

dence with further services at Shenkel Reformed church at 2 o'clock by the Rev. Alton P. Al-

Interment was made in Highland Memorial park. Pall bearers were JAMIN DETTRA, of 728 LINCOLN Chester Rambo, Harold Rambo, AVENUE, fireman who died Friday Herbert Jones Sr., Herbert Jones Jr., Guy Evans and Warren Engle

> Funeral services for IDA M. (MISSIMER) HALEY, wife of the late Walter Haley, of 120 THIRD AVENUE, ROYERSFORD, were held Saturtay morning at 10:30 o'clock from a funeral home at 112 North Washington street by the Rev. Samuel Dowdt, of Royersford. Interment was made in Pottstown

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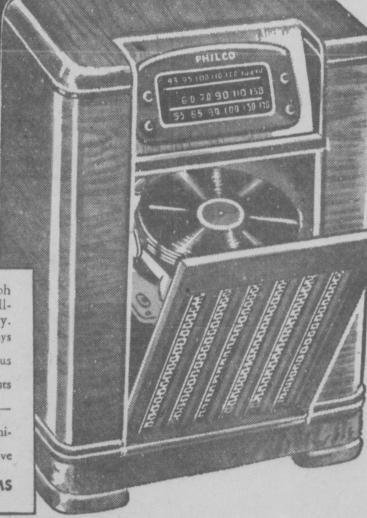
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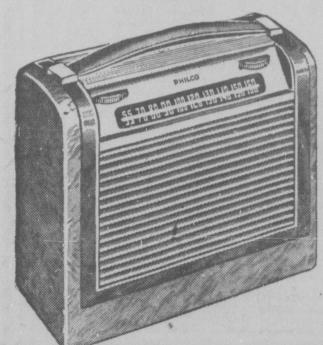
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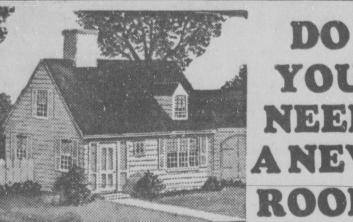
### Maryland Blaze Takes Five Lives

today when fire destroyed a small five months. tenant house on the estate of Vice Witnesses said Moses Queen, Admiral Frank J. Fletcher at Mason Negro, had discovered the one-story, for their vocational agriculture in the sow and litter projects. Springs, State police reported.

ed for action of the county coroner. the parents had not yet been learn-

The children were identified as A PLATA, Md., Dec. 22 (P)- Beulah Marie Johnson, 7; Janet

frame building on the "Araby" projects, judged as some of the best Officers said investigation indicated the children had been left alone in the house and that the left alone in the house alone in the house alone in the house and that the left alone in the house alone in the h parents, identified as Robert and the two found the bodies of the in December and project books Gertude Johnson, would be detain- children, huddled in a rear room.



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Chapter of the Future Farmers of America, North Coventry High school, have been selected as out
Placed second in vegetable garden
Placed second in vegetable gardenchapter of the Future Farmers of the dairy heifers' project; Robert Kline's project was a purebred months, were burned to death early son, 2, and Elaine Adeline Johnson, standing young farmers of Penn- placed second in vegetable garden- MINK COAT LOST IN FIRE ing and Richard Kline, of Pottstown sylvania.

These projects were planned by project, along with several others, Brannon valued at \$5000 was to Harvey Painter, teacher of vocaional agriculture at North Coventry High school, on the results of the recent judging.

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# Retired General Hits Training Plan, **Colonel Disagrees**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 (AP) -Brig. Gen. H. C. Holdridge, retired Army officer, tonight termed the proposed universal military training program "unsound and dangerous."

A War department official at the same time praised it as "not a plan for war but a plan for peace." The two men expressed their views

in a radio forum broadcast, debating the question "Should Congress pass a universal military training law?'

The question of universal military training was brought to the fore again Friday when President Truman urged his military training commission to draft a plan that would subordinate the military phase and provide more attention for the physical, mental and moral development of young people.

"The War department believes it of a reservoir of technically trained men could shorten another war by

ACTRESS PLANS TO WED

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 22 (AP) -Movie actress Ilona Massey announced tonight she planned to marry Jay D. Kurtz, former Navy lieutenant commander. No date has been set for the ceremony. Miss Massey is awaiting the arrival of her mother from Budapest.

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# Slav Court Decrees Death Zionists to Boycott To Nine Ex-Gestapo Chiefs London Conference

BELGRADE, Dec. 22 (P)—A high Yugoslav military court in a special session today sentenced nine former Gestapo chiefs in Serbia death by hanging, nine former Nazi SS (Elite Guard) officers to death by shooting, and other former Nazis to prison terms.

Two former SS men were sentenced to 20 years at forced labor, and an ailing 74-year-old colonel received a five-year sentence.

The death sentences will bbe carried out within two or three days, if normal procedure is followed.

During the two weeks the trial asted the defendants were confronted with details of atrocities which the prosecution charged were committed under their orders and often were witnessed by them.

Lt. Gen. August Meissner, Gestapo chief in Serbia during 1942-44 and the chief defendant, was sentenced to hang. He stood erectly throughout the lengthy reading of all the sentences and sometimes turned talked and smiled at other defendants. As he was led from the courtroom, the spectators cried out: "Hang him in the terrazia!"

(The terrazia is the main square of Belgrade, where Meissner was accused of having ordered public hangings of partisans as a "lesson to insurgents.")

Also among those sentenced to hang were Wilhelm Fuchs, SS colonel and chiefs of the Einsatz Gruppe (active forces) in Serbia, and Joseph Sepp-Hahn, former fuehrer of the Belgrade prison.

Sepp - Hahn, seriously injured when he plunged down a staircase in the courthouse the past week in an unsuccessful suicide attempt, still is confined to a hospital and was not in court when the sentences were pronounced.

A small boy held in his fother's arms near the exit of the courtroom spit in the face of each prisoner led out by an armed guard. The defendants were charged in

many months and save thousands of here where she was rooming, was described as one of the cruelest defending herself against rape by a occupation regimes in the history

# Fascism on Move,

LONDON, Dec. 22 (AP) - Sir Oswald Mosley, pre-war leader of the British union of Fascists, told a rally tonight that Fascism "is stirring again in England and in the

More than 100 of his supporters, including persons detained during the war for Fascist beliefs and a sprinkling of uniformed soldiers, applauded Mosley at a "welcome home" Christmas party in an East End hotel

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BASEL, Switzerland, Dec. 22 (AP)—
The Political commission of the World Zionist Congress voted 20 to 16 today against Zionist participation in the London Palestine conference "under present conditions."

Rabbi A. H. Silver, commission chairman, said the group had approved a resolution calling on Great Britain for the "fulfillment of international obligations." The action will go before the plenary session tomorrow.

Dr. Silver, Cleveland, Ohio, said in an interview that the British abrogation of the white paper, restricting immigration to Palestine, was one of the pre-requisits to Zionist participation in the London meeting. The committee action was considered a victory for Silver and a move strengthening his candidacy for the presidency of the World Zionist organization.

The General Zionist Organization of America, representing 40 votes among the 370 delegates, reaffirmed its intention to support Dr. Chaim Weizmann, London, present World Zionist president, for election as honorary president.

Weizmann's intimates have insisted he would not accept the honorary post, and that he was a candidate for re-election as president only on condition that his administration could continue negotiations with England.

An authorized spokesman of the Congress said the Labor party had voted 89 to 30 in favor of Weizmann for president "plus all that it implies." The spokesman insisted that "Labor party action is indicative of the final results of this congress. He continued:

"It also is unequivocally clear that the Zionist organization and the Jewish agency will not enter into negotiations on the basis of the Morrison plan providing for provincial autonomy for Palestine. The Morrison plan is completely dead. The Jewish agency will enter the Palestine conference in London only on the condition that the Morrison plan not be revived in any shape or

The Morrison plan was projected by Herbert Morrison, British lord president of the council.

Meer Grossman, New York, chair- Urbane Pickery. man of the American revisionist delegation which has 40 votes, said organization was opposed definitely to Weizmann and his home last night, taken to the store

ment," he told his supporters. British authorities, Mosley declared, "tried to shake us. They overlooked approximately \$50,000 in It was Mosley's first trip into did their best to throw us into jails, other compartments of the safe, due London's big working class district in concentration camps, but they to the poor light in which they since his release from wartime in- never shook the faith within us and were working. they never will.'

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Standing before the shrine in New York of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, four-year-old Edward Unish gives thanks to America's first Saint. Paralyzed since birth, doctors were unable to help the boy. His mother brought him to the shrine on October 13 and prayed that he would walk. A few days ago he took his first steps.

### Store Manager Reports \$23,500 Robbery

MODESTO, Calif., Dec. 22 (P)-A \$23,500 kidnap - robbery in which Morley Theaker, manager of the ported today by Chief of Police

that he, his wife and his two sons were abducted from their Modesto and, after Theaker had opened the safe, the entire family was bound original homeland of our move- up with ropes while the robbers

escaped. Chief Pickery said the robbers took off from Abilene at 2.34 p. m.

### Earthquake Reported In California Ctiy PASADENA, Calif., Dec. 22 (AP)-

Sears Roebuck store in Modesto, here at 3:17 p. m. (Pottstown time) ing of the group. Senator Hickensaid he was forced to open the store today, California Institute of Tech- looper (R-Iowa) said he does not safe and hand the money over to nology reported. Dr. Charles F. know yet what, if anything, the a gang of four gunmen was re- Richter, seismologist, said the quake Bilbo. apparently centered in the south-Pickery said Theaker told him west portion of the city, but was

FOR WORTH, Tex., Dec. 22 (AP) A twin-engine Cessna plane of the International Airways was overdue at Dallas Sunday night after it

## Vote System, Not Bilbo, Keeps Negroes From Mississippi Polls, Thomas Says

MERCURY

tions.

phia.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 (P)-, Regardless of the outcome of the Senator Elmer Thomas (D-Okla) elections inquiry, the new Repubredicted today Democratic mem- lican-controlled Senate will get a bers of an investigating commit- report on some of Bilbo's activities. tee will hold next week that the Senator Ferguson (R-Mich) has Mississippi election system and not been working on a report of the Senator Bilbo (D-Miss) prevented War Investigating committee's in-Negroes from voting there. quiry into the Mississippi Senator's

Thomas told a reporter that as a relations with war contractors. member of the Senate elections sub- Bilbo acknowledged receiving committee which held hearings on funds from them and said they the ground, he is convinced that were used to finance the unsuccess-"Bilbo did nothing that almost ful senatorial primary campaign of every other politician in Mississippi Wall Doxey in 1942. hasn't done" in this year's prim- Senators Mead (D-NY) and ary campaign.

Bilbo was accused of preventing November election, have closed up Negroes from voting in the Demo- shop and gone home. But commitcratic primary in which he won tee attaches said they believe the renomination. Republicans looked two will be willing to join in a reto this charge as a possible ground port by Jan. 3 before they officially for efforts to unseat him. go out of office. "Senator Bilbo's views on this This report, with any made by

question are well known," Thomas the full elections committee headed observed. "As far as I can see, by Senator Green (R-RI), may be he didn't say anything in Mississippi referred by the Senate to its new that he hasn't said on the Senate rules committee for recommenda-

Thomas said he regarded the Mississippi primary system as be- Brooks (R-Ill), expected to head ing in the process of an evolution the rules group, said it will have to that eventually will lead to voting decide whether any further inby Negroes in increased numbers.

"A few of them voted this year," he remarked. "More of them are likely to vote in the next election and some day most of them will be voting. I watchthe same thing happen in Oklahoma, where there is now no question about Negroes voting so long as they are qualified voters.

Thomas' prediction on the findings of the Democratic majority ound Republicans still apparently undecided what they will do about A slight earthshock was registered a minority report at a Dec. 30 meetminority will have to say about



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### General Holdridge, who is cochairman of the Armed Forces committee of the American Veterans committee, said that organization is opposed to the program of compulsory training: "This program is predicated on the use of mass armies that have already been by-passed by the new weapons of terror. This proposal brands us as hypocrites, stimulates competition in armaments, sabotages the efforts of Secretary Byrnes and will lead to the very war we are trying Executive assistant to the late to avoid." President Roosevelt, Eugene B. Lt. Col. Theodore Huntley, of the War department's legislative and Casey, of Gaithersburg, Md., is indicted by the federal grand liaison division, said the universal jury on charges of income tax evasions totaling \$70,384. military training plan was submitted to the President and the Congress as part of the Army's duty West Coast Girl, to plan for the national security. Col. Huntley added: to be the cheapest as well as the most practical plan yet devised to keep the country safe. Even if it did not prevent war, the existence

Slain by Youth, 14 VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 22 (A) -La Donna Toscas, 17-year-old court with having been responsible former San Francisco school girl for the deaths of 150,000 Serbians fatally stabbed last night at a home and 35,000 Jews during what was

Indicted

16-year-old youth, D. M. Gilpin, of the war. chief Clark county probation officer Gilpin said the youth, held without bail after his confession to Police Chief Harry Diamond, surrendered Sir Mosley Declares soon after the knifing and did not know of the girl's death. A formal charge will be filed tomorrow by Dis-

trict Attorney C. Dewitt Jones. Gilpin said the boy told of coming to the house in search of a friend. The girl, who moved here from San Francisco two weeks ago, was alone in the house. Gilpin quoted the boy as saying he left and returned through the kitchen door, stabbing La Donna with a 12inch pastry knife when she resisted

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### MURDER PROBE -

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made clear by Smillie, who said Laughead graciously had accepted the county's offer of aid.

The Pottstown police head said "every clue was run down." "Just yesterday," he reported, "we investigated a report that bed clothing, which might have been from the Green apartment, had been seen in Chester county. We found it all right, but it had no connection with

the case.' The police heads conferred after Myers made a public statement in The Mercury Friday, saying rumors were piling up in Pottstown, prob-

ably occasioned by police silence. He repeated the charges, but said he was completely satisfied that there was no foundation to the re-

"I was glad to see Burgess William A. Griffith deny that anyone was being shielded because of his position in town or lodge affiliations," declared Myers at the outset of the meeting. Griffith had denied the charges in a statement Friday afternoon.

"I am convinced they were just idle rumors, and I shall be glad to make a statement in the press that I find the reports unfounded.

"But I do want to make it clear that the statement was my personal opinion. It was made by myself and by no one's suggestion. I still think I have a right to my personal opinion." Griffith said he believed Myers

should apoligize for his disbelief in

borough heads' integrity. "I am glad to do so," answered Myers. With that Griffith leaned across a seat and shook hands with the civil service commission head. "I think that brings to a close everything to the satisfaction of everyone," said Griffith.

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the open casket with the bare in-

scription: "K. K. K." The shock - haired advocate of Fund for the ravished families. from the war spared." died Saturday of liver complications

har negroes from the polls in one child.

Georgi,a, and would have been inmast, and tomorrow all state build- the incidence of Christmas tree ings will remain closed while a fires and fires resulting from overfuneral cortege carries the body 180 loaded electrical circuits. miles to Talmadge's home at Mc-rae Baptist church. Burial will be lations at the fire that Lindauer Italy and the whole world."

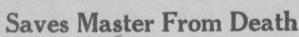
His death ended a 20-year political era in Georgia in which Talmadge stumped the state with colorful, invective-spattered speeches in ten

bitterly-contested campaigns. During his last illness, Editor Ralph McGill, of the Atlanta Constitution reported today, a close friend said: "Governor, you are the first man in the history of Georgia state to pray at the same time—half of 'em praying for you to get well, and half of 'em praying you won't." with a tight, thin grin: "I'll bet a lot | week. of 'em haven't prayed for anything

tossed the usual number of hats and

Early yesterday morning the mercury was at 34 degrees, a short have advised her that it would be drop to 33 degrees at 8 and 9 dangerous to move the child and o'clock was succeeded by a con- have cautioned her that the same is tinual rise until 2 p. m., when the true for her two-month-old youngthermometer read 38 degrees. A slow drop followed, reaching of whooping cough.

the freezing point at midnight. fempenature," just turn to the rec- Christmas in their snug homes, Mrs. ord and read about the five degrees Endy exclaimed, but this still did that chilled Pottstown as early as not solve the problem of where they Dec. 10 in 1910, and the eight de- can go when the fearfully awaited grees that ushered in the Winter day comes when they pack their



Phone 2263



Cole Walther, 23, of Wilmette, Ill., crippled Oklahoma City university student, credits his Belgian St. Bernard, Ranger, with saving his life by jumping on his bed to rouse him from sleep when an oil stove set his campus trailer home afire. Neither was not seriously burned but Walther will spend a week in the hospital where Ranger visits him. (AP Wirephoto.)

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Turning to the new wave of anti-

Your duty, he said to his listen-

The Pontiff called for the

"holy union" of Rome, Italy and

the whole Christian world to

overcome "all hostility and

He concluded with the apostolic

enediction and with an invocation

The latest outburst of anti-cleri-

calism resulted in the ex-communi-

cation early this month of editors,

vendors and readers of the weekly

Don Basilio, the most virulent of

Subsequently the Italian govern-

ment filed charges against the editor

of another weekly, Pollox. Premier

Alcide De Gasperi, himself a devout

Catholic, told the constituent as-

sembly that his government would

not let the "re-won freedom" of the

Italian press be used for "obscenfty

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money from The Mercury Relief as the date when "Rome emerged

white supremacy," who for 20 years | Many of the furnishings of the | It was at St. Peter's piazza, he flaunted shirtsleeves and red su- apartments was saved by quick re- said, "that Rome celebrated the spenders as a political trademark, moval from the burning house. first hours of her liberation." Those left homeless by the con-

brought on by prolonged stomach flagration were Mr. and Mrs. Wil- clericalism, the Pope told his folliam Dunn, Mrs. Emma Dunn and lowers that "you see with pain and In death, as in life, he was a two children, Mr. and Mrs. Elijah indignation" the holy name of the center of bitter political controversy, Lawes and four children, Lawes' vicar of Christ attacked by "deniers for his passing left complete con- brother and cousin, Mr. and Mrs. of Christ" and by "ruiners of holy fusion over who is to be next gov- Carl Calloway and two children, things. ernor of Georgia. He won a fourth, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnson and non-consecutive term the past Sum- one child, Mr. and Mrs. William ers, is to fight for and defend the ther by shouting his determination to | Elliott and Mrs. Elsie May Bay and | church.

Lindauer emphasized that inspections and buildings are a great deal Flags on the capitol were at half- stricter in holiday seasons due to

in Mcrae cemetery, not far from knew of. It was committed by a his rambling farm on Sugar Creek. motorist driving over a hose ilne.

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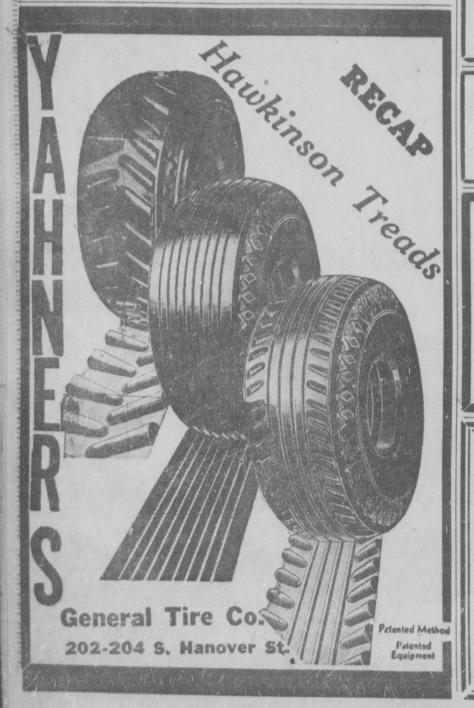
the list of claimants. Marquet said the union has retained a New York legal firm to into cause every single person in the stitute its suits for the portal-toportal pay. Michael Harris, of Philadelphia, representative of District 7 which includes Pottstown, will send Sardonically, Talmadge replied the applications to New York this

Marquet reported he was in New in years. Probably made their knees York city last week and conferred with USWA officials there. He was told that under the Supreme court ruling, all employes in the steel

# industry may claim back pay.

ster who is recovering from a case

Both families were more than Lest you shiver and wonder why grateful for the time extension is called "above normal which will allow them to spend belongings and leave.



## PORTAL PAY -

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been turned back to Judge Picard

to decide the specific amount the workers should receive. "It is up to me to interpret what the Supreme court meant in its

decision," he said. "The case is back in my lap, for I must determine what the men are entitled to." An important question, the dge declared, is what the Supreme court meant by its provision that unsubstantial and insignificant periods

tivities need not be included in the at HUFFS CHURCH. statutory work week. "Originally the question, according to the union, involved the men's starting time," he said. "They were to start work at 7 but had been

told on the side to come in 14 minutes before. "They had never claimed for time going through the turnsile or covering company prop-

erty.' question and not portal-to-portal grandchildren.

dividual merits, and not as a blanket | Hartzell will officiate. ruling. He said it would take him 'two or three weeks" to decide on Church cemetery. how much pay the workers now are entitled to.

cities involve principally CIO steel and automobile workers, who have STREET, BECHTELSVILLE, yesterbeen asked to list the time spent day between plant gates and their machines, time spent changing clothes, punching clocks or otherwise preparing or cleaning up after work.

### CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

Boyertown RD 2, now stationed in Germany, will celebrate his birthday today.

### **Boyertown Classified**

Deaths

GEHRIS—At Huffs church on Saturday, Dec. 21, 1946. Frank, husband of the late Mary (Rader) Gehris, aged 79 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the service from the Schwenk Funeral Home, 124 W. Philadelphia Ave., Boyertown on Thursday at 2 p. m. Interment Huffs Church cemetery. Friends may call on Wednesday evening 7 to 9. (Schwenk)

DOTTERER—In Bechtelsville on Sunday, Dec. 22, 1946. Mamie G. (Haas) wife of Griffith Dotterer, aged 58 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from the Moyer BEHRIS-At Huffs church on Saturday, years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from the Moyer Funeral Home, Bechtelsville, on Thursday at 1:30 p. m. Further service at Hill church. Interment Hill Church cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home on Wednesday 7 to 9 p. m. (Moyer)

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> He was a life-long resident of Hereford township, son of the late William and Lovina (Quillman) Gehris and was the last of 14 children. He was a member of the Lutheran congregation at Huffs Church.

He is survived by six children, Beulah, wife of Wesley Frey, Emmaus; Jennie, wife of Lewis Clymer, Allentown; Elsie, wife of Percy Leh, with whom he resided the past 24 In this Judge Picard was sup- years, Mrs. Katie Kemmerer, Allenported by Gus Scholle, Michigan town; Russell, Landis Store and CIO council president, who said the Helen, wife of Lawrence Huber, Niinitial suit was on the overtime antic, 25 grandchildren and 13 great-

Funeral services will be held from The judge stressed that his orig- a funeral home, 124 West Philadelinal decision in the Mt. Clemens case phia avenue, Thursday afternoon at necessarily had been decided on in- 2 o'clock, where the Rev. Wilson H

Burial will be made in Huffs

MAMIE C. (HAAS) DOTTERER, Suits filed by unions in several 58, wife of Griffith Dotterer, died at her home on CHESTNUT

She was a daughter of the late William and Elmira (Grofe) Haas. Besides her husband she is survived by eight children, Florence, wife of Leroy Heydt, Boyertown; Miss Annie Dotterer, Shanesville; Corp. Norman Grofe Jr., of Helen, wife of Forrest Heydt, Bechtelsville; Pearl, wife of Bernard Evans, Boyertown; Earl, Leroy and Russell, at home, and William Dotterer, Bechtelsville; six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

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day, Jan. 27, for a hearing.

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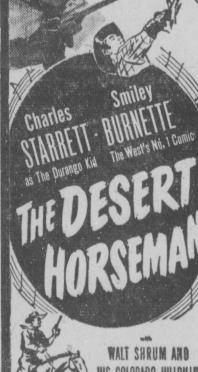
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# Twin-Borough Churches Start Celebration Of Christmas Story, Services to Continue

Services in Twin-Borough churches teemed with the Christmas for a two weeks vacation, story in song and speech yesterday and last night as the various places of worship awaited continued observances of the birth of the Christ child tonight, Christmas eve and early Christmas morning.

Spring City Woman

missing in a report broadcast by

She wore a dark blue coat and

carried a package when last seen.

Kiddies, brothers and sisters of

olly time at the first Veterans'

Christmas party yesterday afternoon in the headquarters of Royers-

ford Post of the Veterans of Foreign

Upward of 70 juveniles attended

the affair, arranged by the post and

he Ladies' auxiliary. The program

ncluded a performance by the

Halsam Magie duo, two local per-

formers, after which Santa Claus

took over. Arthur Hodge, Spring

City legionnaire, essayed the role of

the bewhiskered and kindly old gent

After putting on a skit, Santa dis-

tributed gifts, and refreshments were served. George Clemens, post

commander, was master of cere-

monies. The gifts distributed by

Santa Claus included a filled stock-

Wanted for allegedly being AWOL

from his post, Sherman K. Ewing

Jr., was picked up yesterday after-

noon and held for U.S. Navy

Chief of Police John Hanebury,

Spring City, assisted an agent of

at his home, East Coventry town-

CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

day anniversary today.

Albert Haines, 533 Main street,

Ryersford, will observe his birth-

ALTOONA, Dec. 22 (AP) - Her-

Dr. Replogle said Rhdoes had

The couple had six children, five

man L. Rhodes, 32, of near Martins-

Sherman K. Ewing Jr.,

Held on AWOL Charge

from the North Pole.

ing and an orange.

Wars.

**Vets and Kin Feted** 

Report of her disappearance was

police Saturday.

State police teletype.

Royersford Methodist church had a carol service last night at 7:30 Singer Sewing Centers identified by o'clock, followed by a union carol hymn sing with other congregations joining, at 9 o'clock. The annual Christmas program by the Sunday school will be given tonight at 7:30 o'clock and a Christmas service will be conducted Christmas morning at 7 o'clock.

Epiphany Episcopal church, Royersford, will hold a Christmas sero'clock. The annual Children's Christ-

mas service of Royersford Grace Lutheran church was conducted last night at 7 o'clock. A Christmas carol service, followed by a candlelight benediction, will be conducted tomorrow night at 11:30 o'clock, The Children's Christmas pro-

gram of Trinity E. C. church, Royersford, was conducted last night. Sunrise service will be held Christmas morning at 6:30 o'clock, in charge of the Senior CE society Royersford Reformed Sunday

school gave its Christmas entertain-Lessons at the Singer Sewing ment Saturday afternoon at 2 A Christmas party and own dresses and they will help you covered dish supper was held by the likewise. Now with Winter here and Zwinglian class Saturday night at Twin-Borough war veterans had a those long Winter evenings, it is 5:30 o'clock. A Christmas service morrow night at 11:30 o'clock. The Church of the Brethren had

its annual Children's Christmas program and White Gift service yesterday morning.

The Christmas observance by Spring City Methodist church began last night with the annual carol service by the Senior, Intermediate and Junior choirs. The Junior department of the Sunday school will have a Christmas party tomorrow night from 6:30 to 8:30 o'clock, followed by a Christmas eve' church service from 11 to 12 o'clock. The group will go caroling outdoors at

The Beginner, Primary and Junior departments of Spring City Reformed Sunday school gave their annual Christmas program yesterday morning in Memorial hall,

A carol sing and congregational Christmas party ushered in the Christmas observance by Spring City Lutheran church last night. The observance will be continued tomorrow night at 11 o'clock with a Chrsitmas program by the combined choirs.

The Holy Communion will be administered in Zion's Lutheran church tomorrow night at 11:30 ship. He was held in Spring City o'clock and again Christmas morn- police station, awaiting the arrival ing at 9 o'clock. of Naval authorities today.

PARKED CAR DAMAGED

Rodney Stahlnecker reported to Hospital Notes Spring City police that his car, Miss Lottie Shafer, Spring City, parked in front of his home, South was admitted to Phoenixville hos-Main street, was struck by another pital. Mrs. Charles O. Thompson car after midnight Saturday night Royersford, was discharged. and was damaged. Investigation was started by Chief of Police John Hanebury.

Deaths RAAB — In Phoenixville hospital, on Thursday, Dec. 19, 1946. Barbara Raab, aged 74 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from the Kimes and Nelson Funeral Home, 331 Ner. St., Spring City, on Monday at 2 p. m. Friends may call at the funeral home Sunday evening 7 to 9.

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The local Sunday school presented a Christmas program Sunday

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Miss Mary Strang returned home rom Giford college, North Carolina,

The Perkiomen Valley Christian Endeavor branch has announced that the annual New Year's Eve musical and candlelight communion service will be held in the Ebenezer Evangelical church, East Greenvile. The program will begin at 10:30 o'lock. Christmas carols are being heard

nightly through the courtesy of Mrs. Janice Putman, 400 Main John Geno by means of an amplistreet, Spring City, was reported fying system.

Mrs. Wilmer Leatherman is a surgical patient in the Grandview

Miss Catherine Richard will enman, Army veteran, who said his tertain at a Christmas party at her wife disappeared from their home the past Wednesday night. Her home tonight. The guests will be description was carried over the fellow employes of the Montgomery Trust company, Norristown. The mother of seven children, Mrs. Erwin Ziegler and infant

ranging in age from eight months son have returned from the Sacred

to 13 years, Mrs. Putman was Heart hospital, Norristown. described as being five feet tall, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Haus, weighing 119 pounds and having Schwenkville, have moved into the dark brown hair, medium build. Hertle apartment.

BIRTH IN ROYAL FAMILY

TOKYO, Dec. 22 (AP) - Emperor premier, has a son born in 1945.

PICKETS DELAY ICE SHOW DETROIT, Dec. 22 (A) - Equit Hirohito became a grandfather to- ment for Sonja Henie's ice show day for the second time when his was on the way for its next open daughter, Princess Shigeko Higashi- ing in Chicago today after a short kuni, gave birth to a girl. The delay this morning when AFL team. princess, wife of Prince Naruhiko sters union members refused to Higashi-Kuni, Japan's surrender cross a picket line set up by 18 skaters who struck the past week.

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en folks, who have been extra busy out. They'll appreciate it!

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neral home Sunday evening 7 to 9.

burg, killed his wife with a shotgun Friday night and took his own life Reward offered for information leading to recovery of radio, taken from porch at 5th and Main, Royersford. Richard Haines, 860 Church street. early Saturday morning, Dr. Daniel Replogle, Blair county coroner, reported tonight.

been quarreling with his wife and was drinking heavily. The coroner described the man as "a well-to-do farmer." of whom - aged from one year to

nine - were upstairs and heard the couple quarreling Friday night 51 Dr. Replogle stated. He added the children heard the shot which killed their mother but, too frightened to come down stairs, cowered Wanted-Rooms or Board 66 in their bed coom all night.

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a 28-24 score in a game played on the

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The Canaries, who twice won the Penusylvania state championship in succession, will take the floor, strong favorites to repeat two victories over Pottstown this past season.

The Trojans, finally finding a tans in a game played on the winning combination, have come Bethany Recreation Center court back strong after dropping their Saturday night. first two tilts to Lebanon and

Pottstown then rallied to defeat Easton and Friday night, turned back Lancaster to even up the record at two wins and a pair of losses.

Allentown will be led by Bill Wanish and Elmo Jackson, both all-staters, and seem to have another powerhouse again this

on the Junior High school court. Coach Ed Good has no hallucinations about his chances for tonight, but has promised that his Trojans will go down fighting—giving Allen-

town a run for it all the way. However, Good nor the boys are giving up before it starts. They realize it will be tough and that the odds are definitely against a Pottstown victory but in sports, anything can happen and all good things must at one time or another come to an end.

The Trojan mentor will probably stick to the same lineup that muda. started against Lancaster. Claude Reinhart will be at center with III, who lives at Pottstown RD 1. Stan Stolar and Tom Weber at forwards, Bobby Martz and Dave De- 185 pounds, will play fullback for tar are slated for the guard berths. the Army in an attempt to even up

Bill McCabe's Baby Trojans meet the Army has taken the other de- a collection of professional youngthe Allentown reserves and will be cision. seeking revenge for a pair of setbacks last season.

McCabe, whose quintet also boasts a two and two record, will stick to his same starting lineup. Brower Yerger and Don Ziegler will be at forwards with Howard Kinloch at center. Danny Ludwig and Bobby Mauger will be at guards.

The McCabemen have defeated Lebanon and Lancaster but have dropped contests to Easton and

Allentown is just the first of four tough opponents that the Trojans must meet in succession. After Al- Duquesn lentown comes the 1944 Pottstown High school championship and then follow Bethlehem's high scoring quintet and Norristown's undefeated Oshkosh ... Youngstow

The junior varsity squad will get the weekend kinks out this afternoon Philadelphia ... 81 Elizabeth .... EASTERN PRO LEAGUE court and the varsity will hold a slight workout at 3:30 o'clock.

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annual Lily Bowl tilt between the Saturday night was heaped on the

Forging into the lead early in the

second period and holding on during

the second half, the Club Century

basketball team eked out a 33-31

victory over the Norristown Spar-

In the preliminary contest, the

J. Dardan, c

2 B. Dardan, g

1 5 Milligan, g 0 0 H. Mobley, g

Norristown Spartanetts turned back

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In the Lily Bowl

The lad is Corp. Andrew Vaughan,

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by guiding them to a 14 to 9 victory over the New York Yankees in a snow - flecked playoff game before a crowd of

40,649 fans. It was Graham, a college star at Northwestern, an 18-13 count as Dave Brown paced who pitched for the way with eight markers. Hilltop 50 of the 69 yards overcame a one point halftime

Otto Graham the Browns tra- deficit to gain the decision. veled in the second period for their first touch- on the closest contest of the after-

7 J. Mobley, f 5 0 10 7 Cottman, f 2 0 4 down and it was the same dark- noon as the Trotters eked out a haired athlete who flung a 16-yard 27-25 decision after trailing, 13-12 aerial to Dante Lavelli for the sec- at halftime. It was a big third period ond, with only four minuets to go that enabled the Trotters to gain 2 6 in the final quarter. And then when the New Yorkers, The league meets each Saturday

who had been out in front by 9 to 7, afternoon during the basketball seawho intercepted an Ace Parker pass to halt the frantic drive. Graman jumped between a pair of New Miller, f 0 Yorkers with such fury, he lost part Mignona, f 2 of his shirt-but he came up with

> Being without a part of a shirt A Pottstown lad who spent two playoff game at huge Muncipal years at The Hill School, is practic- Stadium. The five-inch fall of Friday and ing with the Army team for the

Army and the Navy which will be sidelines and a fine sifting of snow Foltz, f held, January 5 at Fort Bell, Ber- drifted down all during the fray. The frozen condition of the turf hampered play. The temperature, however, stayed near

the freezing point. The victory, Cleveland's third over New York this year, thus In the preliminary tilt, which the score. Of three games to date, meant the title of the First Allgets started at 7:15 o'clock, Coach the Navy has won two of them and America Conference season went to sters, coached by Paul Brown, who was tutoring the Massillon, Ohio, High school six years ago.

Graham threw 27 passes during the title contest and 16 of them found their targets for 213 yards. New York, a 13-point betting 61 underdog, started out as if to get revenge for the two previous beat ings by the Browns this year.

Eddie Prokop, playing before his Cleveland home folks in the uniform of the enemy, intercepted Graham's second pass on the Browns' 49-yard line and hustled back 16 yards. The Yanks banged their way to the three-yard line. where Harvey Johnson booted a field goal on fourth down.

That remained the only score until well into the secod quarter, when five Graham passes covered 50 yards, the most spectacular being one to Lavelli for 17 yards.

Marion Motley, Cleveland's Negro fullback, who gained 98 yards in 13 blasts, went 14 yards in two ries for the score. Lou Groza obbled on to the field with nis sprained ankle and added the extra NEW YORK, Dec. 22 (A)-Heavy-

Parker, veteran of the New York weight contender Curtis Sheppard attack, pitched the Yanks to a today offered to meet England's touchdown soon after the rest period, Orban (Spec) Sanders finally going over from the three after Parker passes brought the ball into scoring

> The Cleveland fans, who estabished a pro record for attendance his year, reacted in true collegiate style. They tore down the goal posts after the game and toted Coach Brown off the field on their shoulders. During the game they pelted each other with snowballs and two of the more collegiate argued and tussled with the cops near the bench when the going became tough in the fourth period.

# **Statistics**

	New	Cleve-
	York	land
First downs	10	18
Yards gained rushing (net)	65	102
Forward passes attempted	20	27
Forward passes completed		16
Yards by forward passing	81	213
Forward passes inter-		
cepted by	1	1
Yards gained run-back of		
intercepted passes	16	4
Punting average (from		
scrimmage)	30.2	38.8
Total yards, all kicks re-		
turned	82	57
Opponent fumbles recov-		
ered	0	1
Yards lost by penalties	20	25

Paul Florence, who was released as general manager of the Birmingham club in mid-season is returning to the Cincinnati Reds in an unannounced capacity.

### Denied Conference FOUL TOURNEY With Lawyer



ALVIN PARIS

# Police Refuse To Let Paris, Lawyer Confer

NEW YORK, Dec. 22 (AP) - William V. Breslin, one of the defense 0 0D. Browns, f 4 0 8 lawyers for Alvin J. Paris, charged with attempted bribery of two New York Giants football players, was denied permission to confer with the defendant today in the city for the visit had been issued.

Breslin, a Bergen county, N.J., lawyer, said barring him was "unconstitutional, disheartening and murderer with a long criminal record would be treated with moreconsideration than our client."

Paris, 28, a novelty company salesman, is scheduled to go on trial Tuesday before general sessions judge Saul S. Streit. He also is to appear Tuesday in gamblers court on an additional charge of bookmaking. Breslin said he planned to con-

Willis, f 5 1 11 C. Brown, f 0 0 0

Townson, e 2 1 5 Harrison, e 1 0 2

A. Walton, g 3 0 6 D. Brown, g 4 0 8

Ricketts, g 2 1 5 Corum, g 6 1 13 fer with Paris tomorrow. The lawyer said he also planned to appear tomorrow in general ses-sions and, invoking the reciprocal witness act, apply for court orders to subpoena from Pennsylvania, Illinois and California persons besary to back the denial of the Penn State's Leo Houck, a vet- charges that Paris attempted to eran of 25 secsons, hopes to come bribe Merle Hapes and Frank Filup with another strong boxing team | chock of the New York Giants professional football team

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fifth and sixth grades of the Potts- team, captained by Dave Ricketts, town public schools, took part in defeated the white team which was another basketball session Saturday headed by Mike Kriczky, 26-12. morning on the Junior High school Ricketts and Harry Leh led the scorers for the winning combination.

After 45 minutes of fundamen- There will be no further sessions tals, the group was divided into until after the holiday season with which runs neck and neck with the six teams and three practice games the school operating again, Jan-

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### AFTERNOON

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12 m. 12:15 12:30 12:45	News Lunch Time with Punch Line News	Kate Smith Aunt Jenny Helen Trent Our Gal Sun
1 p.m. 1:15 1:30 1:45	Melody Magic Babies Are Fun Aunt Mary	Big Sister Ma Perkins Dr. Malone Road of Life
2 p.m. 2:15 2:30 2:45	Today's Children Woman in White Masquerade Light of World	Mrs. Burton Perry Mason Lone Journey Rose of Drea
3 p.m 3:15 3:30 3:45	Life Beautiful Ma Perkins Pepper Young R't to Happiness	J. Reeves, ne For Wom'n O Stars Songs
4 p.m. 4:15 4:30	Backstage Wife Stella Dallas Lorenzo Jones	House Party Hollywood

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World Neighbors Rhona Lloyd

Kenny Baker Sleepy Hollow News (12:55) David Wills Kayboard Capers Anice Ives News (1:55) Walter Kiernan Xmas Album Bride & Groom

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	S : 40	Middel Blown	Jackpot
8	p.m. 5:15 5:30 5:45		World Neighbors Rhona Lloyd Bob Elson
			EVENIN
3	p.m. 6:15 6:30 6:45	Drama; Weather Barry Wood	Jim Reeves, News Sports Blue R'm Music R. Trout, news
7	p.m. 7:15 7:30 7:45	News	Mystery of Week Jack Smith The Bob Hawk Show
8	p.m. 8:15 8:30 8:45	Cavalcade of America Concert Variety	Inner Sanctum Joan Davis Show
9	p.m. 9:15 9:30 9:45	Telephone Hour  Victor Borge Show	Radio Theatre

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News; Orchestra

Magic Lady Bing Crosby Sports N. Black's orch. News Elmer Davis Lone Ranger Cowboy Drama Lum and Abner This Is Paris Hammett's Fat Man Dark Venture

Rumpus Room Doctors Talk Mooney Quarter Dance orch.

News Supper Club Latin Manner Rhythm Makers Sports and News | Bandwagon

6 P. M. Extra Johnson Family Sports; News Uncle Wip To Be Announ'd News Your Land Inside of Sports

Crime Chub Gregory Hood Case Book G. Putnam, news Talent Show Christmas Drama Christmas

Carols News Night Serenade Come and Dance

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News; Caravan

10 p.m. 10:15

10:30 10:45

11:30 11:45 12 p.m. News

Company A of the Pottstown National Guard added two veterans and two non-servicemen to its rolls.

Caravan

Signed up as members in the local rifle company are: Joseph S. Joseph, 221 King street; George Petrick, 218 South Hanover street; Clyde Mc-Elroy, 348½ Lincoln avenue, and William Vanderslice, 119 North Franklin street. Joseph was discharged from the

Army recently after serving two and a half years as a first sergeant. was an administrative specialist for three years of World War II.

McElroy and Vanderslice are newcomers to service life, neither having served during the war.

### Candy Given Children At Lodge's Yule Party More than 300 boxes of candy were

distributed to members' children at the annual Christmas party of the Maria Assunta lodge Friday night in the lodge home. Moving pictures were a feature of

the evening's entertainment. Members of the party committee

were Joseph DiGiasia, Paul P. Sperat, John Balbassari, James Atottaviano, Mrs. Madeline Atottaviano and Mrs. Helen Kleback.

### Philadelphian Charged With Drunken Driving

Emil Sladek of Philadelphia, was arrested Saturday morning at 9:50 o'clock at Chestnut and York streets on a charge of operating an automobile while under the influence of intoxicating liquor.

He was given a hearing Saturday afternoon before Justice of the Peace Raymond C. Kelley of the Second ward and he furnished \$500 bail yesterday to appear in Montgomery county court. The charge was preferred by Patrolman Paul Gumpert.

### TIRE CASING RECORD NEW YORK, Dec. 22 (A)-Tire

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children, of Boyertown, visited Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Henry.

Mrs. Mahlon Mutter and Mrs. Lloyd Patterson, of East Greenville, visited the Yoder sisters.

Mrs. Lawrence Reppert who is indisposed is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Henry and son, Clarence, attended the funeral of William Henry in New Jerusalem. Miranda Boyer called on Mrs. Ella Smith and family. Mrs. DeLong of Longswamp spent

Sunday with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Lenius and family Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mitter and

children, Vivian and Rodney, visited Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Guinther and family, and Mrs. Landis, in Tipton.

a business trip to Pottstown. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Davidheiser,

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Monroe made

of Stowe, called on the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Miller and family.

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to bed

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35. Wandering

peoples

37. Ethical

38. Turf

42. Stun

hanging

29. Loose-

31. Goes

33. Sign

1. Rascal 6. Strident

**ACROSS** 

5. Beg

6. Rude

8. Vein

of a

leaf

10. Biblical

king

9. Long, fui

neckpiece

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perennial

23. Woody

22. Charges for 36. Borders

dwelling

7. Sayings

11. Hourly

12. Join

13. Harángue 14. Small drum

15. Public

notices

16. Rough lava

18. Behold!

19. Chinese coin 17. Skill

20. Selected for 21. Help military

service 24. Coarse hominy

(U.S.) 27. One of many

layers 28. Placed

30. Antlered animal

32. Fervor 34. Observed

36. Comes into view 39. Sign of the

infinitive 40. Perform 41. Cry of pain

42. Obscure 43. A juicy

berry 47. Beetle

50. Leveled to

the ground

51. Incline

DOWN

2. Warm

4. Cushion

49. Anxious

52. Garment

1. Shallows 3. Macaws

Saturday's Answer

44. Past

45. Vitality

48. Disfigure

46. Before

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deaths JDICZ-On Friday, Dec. 20, Wasil Budicz, husband of Anastasia (Kozel) Budicz, aged 60 years. Relatives and friends and members of Russian Orthodox Brotherhood, Russian Orothodox Catholic Mutal Aid society, Russian Brotherhood organization and Union of Russian Societies Inc., are invited to services from his late residence, 70 Pottstown Landing on Monday at 8 a.m. Requiem High Mass at Holy Trinity Russian Orthodox church at 9 a. m. Interment Holy Trinity Russian Orthodox cemetery Sunday evening from 7 to 9. (Fleischmann

DETTRA-On Friday, Dec. 20, 1946. Clarence Benjamin Dettra, husband of Marie (nee Wright) Dettra, aged 44 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the service from Houck Funeral Home, 112 N. Washington St., Thursday at 2 p. m. Interment Highland M-emorial Park. Friends may call Wednesday evening from 7 to emorial Park. Friends Wednesday evening from 7 to (Houck) MOYER-In Wernersville, Pa., on

Thursday, Dec. 19, 1946. Leonard H., son of Sarah W. (nee Hartranft) and the late John B. Moyer, aged 54 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the funeral from the family residence, 306 S. Hanover St., South Pottstown, Pa., on Monday at 2 o'clock p. m. Interment in Mt. Zion cemetery, Friends may call Sunday evening 7 to 8:30.

(Kepner and Romich) POLLICK-Thursday, Dec. 19, 1946.

of Mabel (nee Dellicker) Pollick, aged 47 years. The relatives and friends are invited to the Solemn Requiem Mass in St. Aloysius Catholic church, Pottstown, on Tuesday at 10 o'clock, a. m. Friends may call Monday evening 7 to 8:30 at Houck Funeral Home. (Houck) STRUNK - Wednesday,

1946. Edwin F. Strunk, husband of Esther A. (nee Marshall) are invited to the funeral from Houck's Funeral Home, 112 N.
Washington St., on Monday at
2 o'clock, p. m. Interment in Mt.
Zion cemetery. Friends may call
Sunday evening 6:30 to 8. (Houck)

WELSH—On Thursday, Dec. 19, 1946 Harry Welsh, son of James and Emily May (Rogers) Welsh, aged 46 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from Houck's Funeral Home, 112 N. Washington St. on Tuesday at 2:30 p. m. Interment Edgewood cemetery. Friends may cal Monday evening from 7 to 8:30

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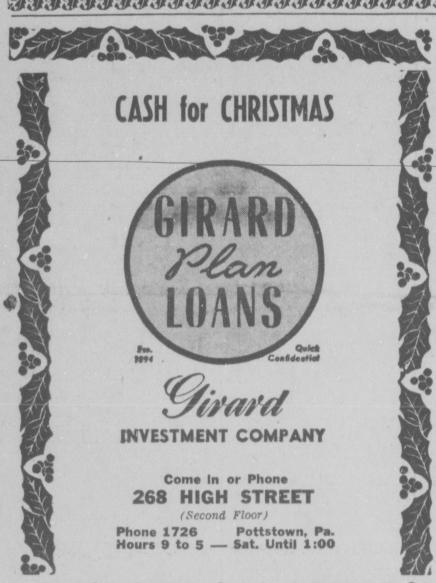
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> In letters to all Republican congressmen, he insisted the consolidaion would enable the House for the first time in history to get the "full to the 'eventual disintegration of

Wadsworth, who was chairman of the Senate military committee when the Navy. We shall always support contention that creation of a single committee would lead ultimately to the "swallowing up" of the Navy.

Simultaneously, he argued that ne number of committees handling

"To retrace our steps after having accomplished this great reform would, in my judgment, be regrettable," he wrote. "If we commence pulling stones out of the new structure before we have even tested it, there is no telling what other demolition

"Indeed, it would be a pity if the newly-elected Republican majority in the House should start to indermine it. Most certainly we rould lose some of that public con-

fidence which we now enjoy and it. And we feel the same way which we must retain if we are to about the Army and the Air corps go forward in the service of our knowing as we do that the preser-

Wadsworth's letter was in answer our national defense is absolutely o one from Representative Cole (R-NY), ranking Republican of the naval committee and a leader in the fight against the merger which is expected to reach a showdown

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